

We'd Better Listen To Young People!

By Chester E. Swor

Coming out of a church meeting in which young people had spoken frankly but eagerly of new dimensions which they would like to see their church undertake — not abolition of the great inner church ministries, but additions to it — a disgruntled adult virtually snorted. "Today's young people make me sick with their dissatisfactions. Why can't they be satisfied with the church as it is. Now, when I was a teen-ager."

That final statement not only turned off any listening teen-agers, but it turns me off, too — and I am easily old enough to be a grandfather to early teen-agers. To compare society generally and teen-age pressures specifically of my teen years with those of today would be as ridiculous as comparing the palmetto fan and air-conditioners as effective cooling instruments. There is hardly any basis for comparison: contrast is the better word.

Back to the frank and eager suggestions which many of our young people are offering: I am not referring to the demands of the wild-eyed, disruptive, destructive youth who have no respect for the basic mission of the church, who cry out anathemas, if not obscenities toward that basic mission, who are determined to destroy it if they can't change the church to their image. To these I am not listening, nor am I inviting you to listen. They will "do their thing," shout themselves hoarse, and eventually stand discredited. Nor am I listening or inviting you to listen to those who would substitute overtly worldly concepts and activities for the spiritual message and activities which young Christians must have if they are, indeed, to grow into spiritual maturity.

But I Am Listening

But I am listening to another group of young people, and I invite you to listen: to hear what they are saying and to discern what they are wanting. This group is made up of young people who honestly love the church, who are active in it, who are grateful for her contribution to the world and to their lives, and who want the church not to abandon her strong intra-mural ministries; for, indeed, they want Bible teaching as no young people in my memory, they love the preaching of biblical truths which give them

guidance for victorious living in today's pressure-filled society.

These young people to whom I am listening value sincerely the other ministries of the church which help them to grow toward spiritual maturity and to a finer capacity to handle the issues which confront them daily. In short, the young people to whom I am listening are asking the church to add at least two dimensions:

1. They would like her preaching, teaching, and other ministries to have more of content which will help them to face today's pressing issues and problems with warm-hearted, clear-headed Christian convictions, answers, solutions.
2. They would like to see the church do more of extra-mural application of Christian compassion in the communities in which they exist.

What Does This Mean?

Relevance is the big word in the vocabulary of today's youth. In an ever-increasing degree, the schools of the 1970's will revise concepts and curricula to relate the student's intra-mural preparation more vitally to the extra-mural world, hoping to prepare the student for fuller understanding and achievement in that world.

Similarly, young people in our churches very much want to be spiritually equipped to live in an increasingly materialistic society without losing their spiritual concepts, but, at the same time, equipped to minister to the ageless needs of the society in which they live. Not only do they not want to lose their way in today's society: they want to be able to help others to find the way, and to help those outside the church to feel the warmth of Christian concern.

For instance, young people want to know the Biblical, Christian view of sex — its God-intended purpose, the reasons for waiting for marriage, the how of keeping those convictions and of sharing them in the face of sex-mad demands upon them. And both heaven and earth know that, with the movies, theatre, magazines, and a host of other factors doing their individual stunts to destroy Christian sex morality, our young people need desperately what they are earnestly seeking in guidance from the church.

This writer can attest from dealing

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125th Anniversary Meet

FMB's Overseas Force Totals 2478

RICHMOND (BP)—Appointment of 11 new missionary personnel highlighted the 125th anniversary observance of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board here.

The new appointees bring the board's total overseas force—career missionaries, missionary associates and Journeymen—to 2,478 in 71 countries.

About 2,500 people, mostly Baptists from Virginia and neighboring states, attended the appointment service at The Mosque, Richmond's civic auditorium.

W. A. Criswell, president of the Southern Baptist Convention (SBC), Mrs. R. L. Mathis, president of the SBC Woman's Missionary Union (WMU), Mayor Phil J. Bagley Jr. of Richmond, Monsignor John J. Mc-

Mahon of the Richmond Clergy Association, and a representative of Virginia, Governor Linwood Holton delivered personal greetings to the board.

The 1972 spring semi-annual meeting and commissioning service of the Foreign Mission Board will be held in Jackson April 10-12, according to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, state Baptist executive secretary and also member of the Foreign Mission Board, who personally presented the invitation to the Board at its recent meeting in Richmond.

The invitation to meet in Jackson was extended by the executive committee of the State Convention Board, representing all Mississippi Baptists, with the following groups joining in the invitation:

The First Baptist Church of Jackson and its pastor, Rev. Larry Rohman; the recent State W.M.U. Convention session in Jackson; the Baptist pastors conference of Jackson and the Jackson Chamber of Commerce.

Telegrams of congratulation from President Nixon and Porter Routh, head of the SBC Executive Committee, were read.

Preceding the business session and appointment service, the choir of Virginia Union University presented a 30-minute concert.

Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the board, said in his report to the 67-member board, "The unsung heroes of this enterprise are the thousands of men and women in the churches throughout the convention who have loved the cause of missions."

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J. W. Storer, Retired SBC Leader, Dies

NASHVILLE (BP) — J. W. Storer, retired executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation and former president of the Southern Baptist Convention, died at a Nashville hospital after a long illness on Sunday evening, April 12.

He was 85.

Dr. Storer had been executive secretary - treasurer of the Southern Baptist Foundation here from 1956-61 when he retired.

He was president of the Southern Baptist Convention from 1953-55, and previously had been president of the SBC Executive Committee.

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NEW OFFICERS of the State Baptist Student Convention, elected at the Leadership Training Conference held April 17-19 at Camp Garaywa near Clinton are, from left to right, seated: Brad Castleberry, Mississippi College, president; Warren Rowe, Mississippi State, vice-president; Val Robinson, Carey College, Hattiesburg, executive committee; Miss Willie McFerrin, Blue Mountain College, executive committee. Standing: Michael Bennett, Delta State, Cleveland, executive committee; Miss Betty Jane Frew, Hinds Junior College, student director; Bennie Warren, Perkinston Junior College, faculty adviser; Dr. Robert Barnes, Poplarville, pastor adviser; Rev. Ralph B. Winders, state Baptist Student director, ex-officio. (Not shown is Miss Debbie Crowell, ECJC, secretary.)

Castleberry Elected As State Student President

Brad Castleberry, of Biloxi, a student at Mississippi College, Saturday afternoon was elected president of the State Baptist Student Convention. He succeeds Tim Thomas, of Fulton, a student at Wm. Carey College of Hattiesburg.

He was elected at the Baptist Student Union Leadership Conference held April 17-19 at Camp Garaywa near Clinton.

Other officers elected are: Warren Rowe, of Mississippi State, vice-president; Miss Debbie Crowell, of East Central Junior College, Danbury, secretary.

The executive committee includes the above officers in addition to the following elected: Val Robinson, Wm. Carey College, Hattiesburg; Miss Willie McFerrin, Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain; Michael Bennett, Delta State, Cleveland; Miss Betty Jane Frew, Hinds Junior College, Raymond, student director; Bennie Warren, Perkinston Junior College, faculty adviser, and Dr. Robert Barnes, Poplarville, pastor adviser.

Over three hundred Baptist college students from about 30 schools and colleges in the state attended.

Principal speakers were Dr. Chester E. Swor, of Jackson, widely-known Baptist youth leader, and Rev. David L. Hicks, BSU director, University of Mississippi.

Miss Nell Magee, associate in Student Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, presented a visual program.

"Tell It Like It Is," another feature, was presented by Mississippi College.

Conference features included special music, inspirational addresses, simultaneous workshops, business session, commissioning of student summer missionaries, and fellowship.

The conference, which opened Friday night, adjourned Sunday morning. The conference is sponsored annually by the Department of Student Work of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Rev. Ralph B. Winders, director.

The Record Is Proud To Present: Three Young Baptists

By Anne Washburn McWilliams

According to the newspapers and the radio, the magazines, and the television, there are hundreds of

young people in this nation who are wild and dissatisfied and destructive. But, as Dr. Chester Swor says in the above article, "Many of our

young people have heard 'another drummer'! These are young people with 'warm hearts' and 'dedicated hands' who 'still have stars in their

eyes in the matter of ideals for high-level spiritual living.' Thousands of young people are still on the side of the right and true and the good. The following articles present three Missis-

issippi young people, all Baptists. They have proved that popularity and Christianity can go hand in hand. Of them, Mississippi and America may well be proud.

Ole Miss Quarterback

The red-headed freckle-faced boy has grown up. The six-foot-three, 175-pound high school football hero now weighs 205, and is "all muscled up." Archie, still a hero, is the junior quarterback for Ole Miss who has led his team from victory to victory.

"Archie Who?" Elisha Archibald Manning III. Archie Manning of Mississippi. Archie of Drew. Eighty sportswriters voted him the most valuable player in the Sugar Bowl after the Rebs beat Arkansas 27-22. Members of the

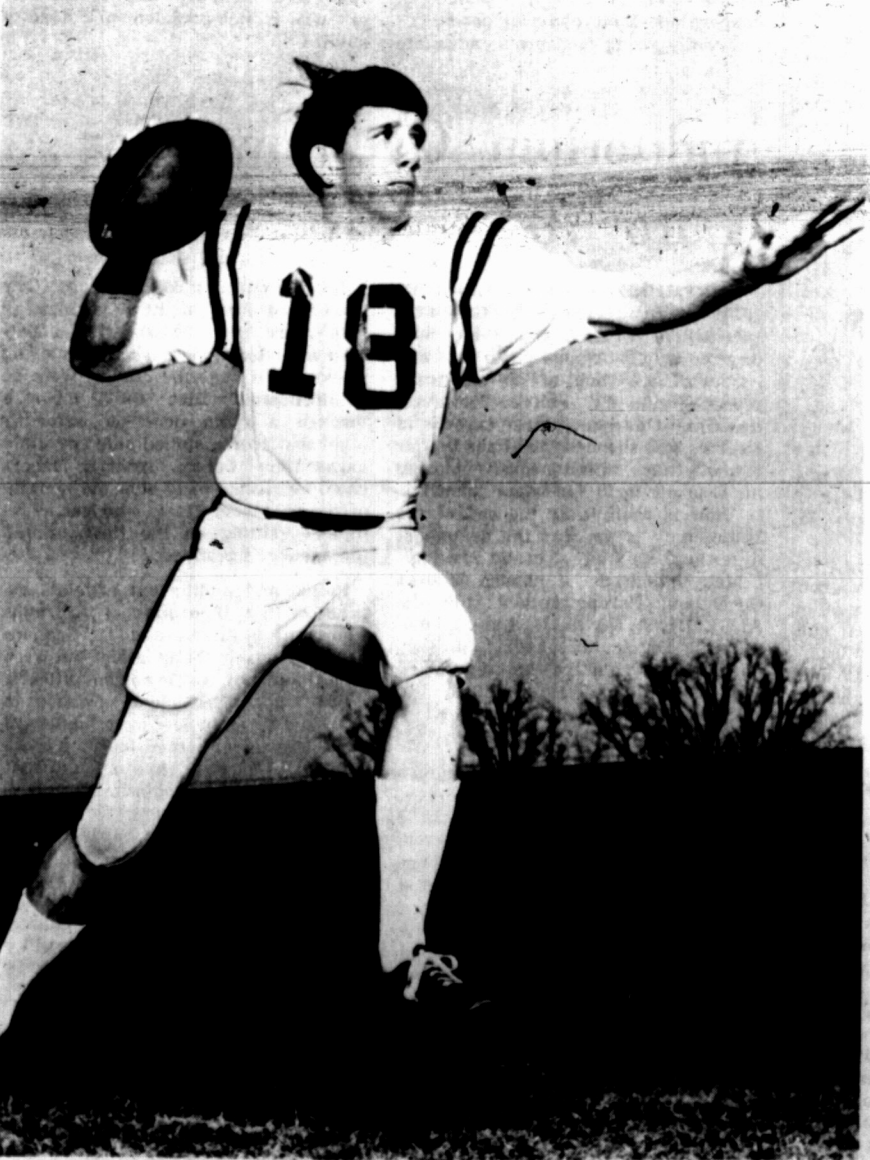
Miss Mississippi

At 20, Jane Carol Foshee, Miss Mississippi, is a radiant beauty, with warm and clear blue eyes, a quick and pleasing smile, her honey blonde hair shoulder length, her skin and teeth perfect, her whole countenance glowing

Miss Hospitality

Mississippi's Miss Hospitality, the 22-year-old Sharon Kay Applegate, is a noble model for American youth. Brimming with fresh vitality and charm, the entrancing blue-eyed blonde is a credit to her state and to her denomination.

Sharon is a "Baptist from way back." Her father, Dr. D. C. Applegate, has been pastor of First Baptist Church, Starkville, for fifteen years. Her grandfather and great-grandfather were Baptist



Called Meeting Of Convention Board Apr. 28

A called meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board will be held in the Baptist Building Tuesday afternoon, April 28 at 1:30 o'clock, according to Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary.

The purpose of the meeting will be "to consider the capital funds request of Wm. Carey College incident to the replacement of their science building recently lost by fire," Dr. Hudgins added.

Dr. Robert L. Hamblin, Tupelo, president of the board, is scheduled to preside over the meeting.

The board's executive committee, Dr. Earl Kelly, Jackson, chairman will meet that same day at 10:30 in the executive committee room.

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and have remembered this labor at the throne of grace.

"We express our deep appreciation to pastors, denominational workers, those in the states and in the convention, and those who serve in colleges and seminaries for their partnership in the gospel. The agencies of the convention have been partners in a world task and have strengthened our hands repeatedly," Cauthen said.

Cauthen particularly commended the Woman's Missionary Union support of foreign missions through prayer, missions study, and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering which has reached \$14.9 million to date, \$641,139 more than at the same date a year ago. Cauthen predicted 1969 would be a record year in Lottie Moon foreign missions contribution.

"God is at work in these days," Cauthen said. "We could well be moving toward an era of great spiritual awakening. Sometimes vast revivals have come about following eras of great strain, decline, wickedness and decay."

"The very problems that surround us near at hand and that loom upon the horizons far away may be but the early indication that the heart of man is being opened for the reception of the gospel of Jesus Christ," Cauthen said.

Criswell, pastor of First Baptist Church, Dallas, declared that it is the Foreign Mission Board's zeal and commitment that keeps the SBC together.

"Were there no Foreign Mission Board, there would be no Southern Baptist Convention," Criswell told the audience, alluding to the historical mission-oriented development of the convention.

Mrs. Mathis read from an 1888 edition of the Richmond Dispatch about the earliest efforts of Southern Baptist women to organize and bring together the energies of diverse mission societies in the eastern and southern states at that time. She concluded her comments by telling the board, "You can count on the Woman's Missionary Union."

Couples appointed as career missionaries were Mr. and Mrs. Harold R. Hancock of Belle Chasse, La., to Korea; Mr. and Mrs. J. Gordon Harris III of Louisville, the Philippines; Mr. and Mrs. John A. Witherspoon of Jasper, Mo.; Argentina; and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald M. Workman Jr. of Fort Worth, to Malawi.

Employed for five-year terms as Missionary Associates were Dr. and Mrs. C. Kenneth Locke of Weatherford, Tex., for Hong Kong, and Miss Betty Vaughn of McAlister, Okla., also Hong Kong.

In another session the board approved 72 young adults for training as Missionary Journeymen. They will train for eight weeks this summer at Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C.

This year's contingent of Journeymen will be the sixth since the Journeyman program began in 1965. Overseas missions (organizations of SBC missionaries) requested about 175 Journeymen for 1970.

Missionary Helpers
The medical receptionist program, authorized by the board in 1968, provides travel and living expenses for up to four Baptist medical students at a time. Receptors, who must be

In their third year of medical study, spend eight to 10 weeks of a summer helping missionary physicians and dentists.

Recent developments regarding visas for missionaries to Pakistan are encouraging, John D. Hughey, secretary for Europe and the Middle East, reported to the board.

Hughey and Robert S. Denny of the Baptist World Alliance recently presented to the counselor of the Pakistan Embassy in Washington the cases of two missionary families who have been waiting months for visas.

The counselor agreed to communicate with his government, and he subsequently informed Hughey that visas were being granted one of the couples. But the government's decision on the second couple is not yet known, Hughey told the board.

Both couples are replacing missionaries formerly stationed in Pakistan. "I have the impression that there will be no difficulty in sending replacements," Hughey said, "but there may be problems when we try to enlarge our missionary force."

"Sending in replacements will be enough for a while. We are ready now for new appointments to Pakistan," Hughey added.

On the other hand, a missionary couple who served an English-speaking congregation in Ankara, Turkey, since 1966, "have definitely been denied permission to remain in Turkey," Hughey continued.

Acting on a committee recommendation, the board voted to "take steps toward placing missionary personnel in Upper Volta, following a period of language study in France, on condition that permission of the government can be secured to begin a program of mission work in that West African republic."

A couple now assigned to Nigeria will be transferred to Upper Volta, effective June 1. After a year of studying French, they will probably be stationed in Ouagadougou, capital of Upper Volta, according to H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa.

Upper Volta, slightly larger than the combined areas of Alabama and Mississippi, has a population of just over five million. Evangelical Christians number less than 20,000.

Goerner also reported that morale among the missionaries in Ghana is "surprisingly high, despite loss of approximately 30 per cent of the membership of the Baptist churches because of the exodus of settlers from Nigeria."

"The absence of Yorubas has created an atmosphere in which local Ghanaian people feel more welcome, and prospects are good that many of the church buildings will soon be filled with indigenous peoples, worshipping in their own language and according to their own custom," Goerner continued.

"What seemed a tragedy may turn out to be in the long run a blessing and the beginning of a new era of indigenous development for Baptists in Ghana."

Upon recommendation of the committee for Middle America and the Caribbean, the board voted to establish a Caribbean Baptist Theological Seminary "to provide university-level training for Baptist ministers." A minister training center will be operated in connection with the seminary.



Biloxi Church Credited

Harold Hancocks To Serve In Korea

Rev. and Mrs. Harold R. Hancock of Belle Chasse, La., were appointed missionaries to Korea on April 14 by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. They were commissioned during a service in the 4,000-seat civic auditorium in Richmond, Va., where the Foreign Mission Board observed its 125th anniversary.

Hancock will help Korean Baptists develop church music ministries.

Minister of music and youth at First Baptist Church, Belle Chasse, he is also studying at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, where he hopes to complete requirements for the doctor of education degree in music during his first missionary furlough.

He has the bachelor of arts degree from Howard College (now Samford University), Birmingham, Ala., and the master of church music degree from New Orleans Seminary.

Hancock, a native of Cullman County, Ala., told the Foreign Mission Board he first became interested in music as a profession when he played in the Cullman City High School band and he experienced an early desire to enter a Christian vocation.

Following high school graduation Hancock accepted an appointment with the FBI in Washington, D. C., but returned to Alabama the following year to enter Howard College. There he met Helen Lee, also of Alabama. They were married in Roebuck Plaza Baptist Church, Birmingham, where he was serving as minister of music.

Hancock was minister of music for several Alabama churches before taking that position at First Baptist Church, Biloxi, Miss., in July 1966. This church's great mission emphasis, he said, gave him and his wife a renewed interest in foreign missionary work — an interest they had first expressed several years earlier.

Cauthen To Address Laymen's Missions Rally In Greenville

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, will be the principal speaker at a tri-state laymen's missions rally to be held at the First Baptist Church, Greenville, Miss., Monday, April 27, according to an announcement by Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, Baptist layman who is assisting with developing plans for the meeting.

The meeting will be open to all interested Baptists from the three-state area.

In addition to Dr. Cauthen, the program will include Rev. Sammy Simpson, agricultural missionary to Ecuador.

Rev. James Yates, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Yazoo City, will have charge of the music.

The night session will be preceded by a conference on agricultural missions beginning at 5 p. m. This meeting will be attended by farmers, agricultural workers, and pastors. Dr. Cauthen will also be the main speaker for the afternoon session.

The afternoon session will also feature reports from laymen who have actively participated in special projects related to agricultural missions. This program will include R. T. "Dick" Stafford, Little Rock, Ark.; Arlis Anderson, Starkville; Jerry Clower, Yazoo City, and Marvin Vines, Little Rock, Ark.

In commenting on the program, Cooper stated, "Laymen in general and many farmers in particular are interested in becoming personally involved to a greater extent in missions throughout the world. This meeting is being held for the purpose of considering ways in which farmers may become personally involved to a greater extent in missions throughout the world. This meeting is being held for the purpose of considering ways in which farmers may become personally involved through agricultural missions and stimulating laymen in general to a greater involvement in mission activities."

"Farmers, agricultural workers, and pastors throughout the tri-state area are invited to the five o'clock conference," continued Cooper. "The public is invited to the 7:30 p. m. session. Wives of the conference participants together with members of Woman's Missionary Union in Baptist churches throughout the area are cordially invited to attend."

As executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Dr. Cauthen directs the largest Protestant foreign mission staff in the world. Over 2,500 missionaries located in 60 countries are under his direction. Southern Baptists are currently investing over 33 million dollars per year in their foreign missions enterprise.

Christian Child Care And Physical Needs

Along the rolling, tree-shaded hills of Flag Chapel Drive in northwest Jackson, in attractive and comfortable "cottages," Mississippi's largest family — the boys and girls at The Baptist Children's Village — work and play.

A Christian atmosphere of caring and controlling pervades this unusual community which is expressly designed to lead children to the safety of Christian living.

Every Jackson visitor agrees that the Village campus is one of the most beautiful sections of the area. Many maintain it is one of the best-planned and most modern child care facilities in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Village life for boys and girls is centered in the cottage-home which has been equipped to approximate a private dwelling. Normally twelve children, ranging in age from six to eighteen years, make their substitute home in each cottage, along with two adult staff-members who are called "house-parents."

Each cottage includes kitchen, dining room, laundry, family-room and parlor, along with bedrooms and baths. Cottage occupants live together in family-style as a part of the Village community. Through preparation and serving of meals, cottage laundry and cleaning chores, attending the cottage church together as a family group and daily cottage worship, the essential role of the stable Christian home is demonstrated to children.

A beautiful chapel for mid-week prayer services and other campus-wide group meetings is situated atop the highest hill in the center of the campus, symbolic of the partnership of home and church in the preaching of the gospel.

Clothing and food supply departments, maintenance shops for buildings and grounds, garages for the transportation department and other necessary support buildings dot campus hills, completing the present collection of twenty buildings which house the Baptist child care mission in Mississippi.

A spacious Activities building for music, library, recreation and the unique ministry of "vocational therapy" offered dependent children by Mississippi Baptists is possibly the busiest and most heavily-used facility on the campus.

Village children from the Jackson campus attend public schools of Hinds County and five different Baptist churches in Jackson. The cottage of each child's residence determines the church of his attendance along with the other members of his cottage "family-group."

During the current school year, 13 different boys and girls from the Village have been sent to Mississippi colleges and universities by this labor of love. Village authorities report that 40 different Village young people have been sent to college during the past seven years alone.

Well Dressed and Fed
Although the staff at the Village insist that the spiritual, moral, social and emotional aspects of child care go to the heart of a Christian mission to the home; knowledgeable observers report that the children at the Baptist child care agency are well dressed and well fed and manifest in morale and spirit every evidence of concern for their physical needs. Steadily rising food costs; adequate

medical, surgical and dental care; educational expenses; insurance; transportation costs; utilities; a critical need to improve modest salaries in order to attract and retain qualified, stable, Christian child care workers; the staggering expenses attendant upon an efficient and effective group home and a progressive child care ministry, all combine to render the annual appeal of The Village to churches for support important and urgent this year.

Currently, the administration at the Village is asking for the prayers and the cash support of every Mississippi Baptist church during Christian Home Week and at Mother's Day. The Convention-sanctioned period for this emphasis in 1970 is May 3 - May 10. It is the only appeal for cash support addressed to churches by The Village each year.

J. W. Storer, Retired --

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Funeral services were scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, at the First Baptist Church of Nashville where Storer was a member.

Scheduled to take part in the service were H. Franklin Paschall, pastor of the church; Porter R. Routh, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, and Kermit Schmidt, assistant pastor at First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla. The family requested that in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to the American Cancer Society.

For nearly 25 years, Storer was pastor of First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla. Previously, he was pastor of Baptist churches in Richmond, Va., Greenwood, Miss., Pauls Valley, Okla., and Paris and Ripley, Tenn.

On his retirement in 1967 as executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foundation, the SBC Executive Committee paid tribute to Storer in a special feature honoring him as both denominational leader and "Baptist wit."

At the time, Southern Baptist Convention President H. Franklin Paschall, pastor of the Nashville church where Storer was a member, called him "a Christian gentleman, a Baptist statesman, a very outstanding pastor, and a loyal and effective denominational leader."

"He is a man full of fun, full of faith, and full of fire," Paschall said. "He is a wit, a whole wit and a humorist par excellence."

He is survived by his wife, Nora Isobel Wilbanks. They had no children.

From Hong Kong: Hong Kong Baptist College is now registered as an approved post-secondary college, having met the standard of a government ordinance. "Government approval came as a reward for 14 years of successful operation," said Dr. Lam Chi Fung, college president. The college's buildings and equipment are valued at \$10 million by the Hong Kong Department of Education. Over 2,400 students are enrolled in full-time post-secondary study in the school's 12 major areas. Plans are well under way for the construction of a college auditorium, an international house, and staff quarters, said Maurice J. Anderson, Southern Baptist missionary who is vice-president and dean of studies.

Protestants, Catholics, Jews Drawing Closer, Congress Told

CHICAGO (BP)—An international, interfaith Religious Communication Congress sponsored by 40 different organizations, including two Baptist groups, ended here with a Jewish leader predicting that Protestants, Catholics and Jews would move closer together than ever before during the decade of the 1970s.

In the major closing session address, Mare H. Tanenbaum, director of Interreligious Affairs for the American Jewish Committee in New York, said that already a community of fellowship has begun to develop among scholars and those involved in interfaith dialogue.

In an earlier major address, Will D. Campbell of Nashville, a former Southern Baptist from Mississippi who now heads the Committee of Southern Churchmen, a race relations group, charged that the church and the press are guilty of helping to establish what he called "the American Tyranny" in the rapid move toward "the reality of a true police state in the U.S.A."

"The beginning of genocide is not ovens or concentration camps, but the expectation of minorities for minorities to become like themselves," Campbell said.

The publisher of Katallage — Be Reconciled, Campbell charged that the press, with its cult of objectivity, is guilty of contributing to the "tyranny" because "it is not enough (to be objective) when we are sitting on

top of a powder keg which could explode any minute."

"The church," he said, "is most guilty of all, for it calls for peace and harmony but does nothing more than perpetuate the institution. It assumes that which is good for the institution (the church) is good for the Kingdom of God."

Saying every religious body represented at the meeting "is afflicted with the cancerous cells of racism," Campbell claimed that liberalism in the church and society has failed, and that race relations today are worse than ever before.

He called for a new biblicalism and a new fundamentalism that stresses what the Bible fundamentally says about human relations and the church. "There's a lot of baggage and garbage in our religious tradition" that the church needs to get rid of, he added. "We don't need all those steeples, altars, pipe organs, etc.," he declared. "We could get rid of poverty if we got rid of the albatross around our neck," he said.

W. C. Fields, public relations secretary for the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee and newly-elected president of Baptist Public Relations Association, presided at one of the Congress' general sessions and directed a workshop on public relations. Martin Bradley, secretary of the research and statistics department at the SBC Sunday School Board, led a workshop session on research.

Triple Helping Of Good News For The Baptist Hospital

Officials of Mississippi Baptist Hospital in Jackson today announced a "triple helping of good news" concerning the institution, according to administrator Paul J. Pryor.

Board president, T. Harvey Hedgepeth, together with Pryor and Dr. Noel C. Womack, Jr., chief of staff, announced that the hospital has been accredited for another two years.

Their announcement followed receipt of the official notification of the accreditation by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

The commission includes representatives of the American College of Physicians, American College of Surgeons, American Hospital Association, and American Medical Association.

Accreditation is based upon surveys of hospitals by the commission as part of the nationwide accreditation program of the medical and hospital professions.

"We are pleased to announce that we have been accredited for another two years," said Pryor. "This is hospitals, what the word 'sterling' is to silver."

In a second announcement, Pryor

expressed appreciation to the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board for its commendation of the hospital's expansion program.

In a recent called meeting, the board voted to commend the program to Baptist churches of the convention and to set June 21 as "Hospital Sunday."

"A third piece of good news," said Pryor, "is the fact that we already have, in hand, some \$250,000 in cash and in pledges toward that \$2,000,000 goal."

He said this includes \$100,000 raised by hospital employees during March, in anticipation of the three-month fund drive which officially began April 1.

At a campaign "kick-off" banquet in Jackson on March 30, Ben Lampton, Jackson bank official and vice-chairman of the drive, said half the goal already is "in sight."

He said \$1,000,000 is anticipated from financial institutions and from the "hospital family," including the employees, trustees and medical staff.

The current fund drive is only the second public appeal for financial contributions during the hospital's 60-year history, Pryor pointed out.

Auditorium 'Overflows' For "Euro '70" Crusade Closing

DORTMUND, Germany (April 13, 1970) — Evangelist Billy Graham's "EURO '70" Crusade closed here Sunday the way it began eight nights ago — with the flick of an electronic closed-circuit TV switch. However, this time it darkened large screens in 35 cities and silenced land lines to four towns, thus simultaneously closing his Crusade in 10 European countries.

"Now is really only the end of the beginning," is the way the evangelist described the final Crusade service. Many hundreds of church leaders throughout Europe agreed with the ALGEMEEN DAGBLAD, the national morning Dutch newspaper in Rotterdam, which evaluated the Crusade effort as "Billy Graham dusts the church in Europe." "From all indications, dust it he did."

Some of Europe's largest auditoriums were filled to overflowing night after night; making this Crusade Graham's largest diversified audience. From Kristiansand, Norway — where a refurbished aircraft hangar seated 4,000 — to Zagreb, Yugoslavia — in a massive church hall — all have proved far too small, with thousands turned away. Massive traffic jams in some Crusade cities have been the result of enthusiastic response by more than three-quarters of a million Europeans.

Here in Dortmund, Graham's "live" audiences have proved to be the largest this city has ever known on a night after night basis. The Westfalen-

halle, Europe's most spacious, has been filled every night since Monday with more than 20,000, with a new high attendance record on the closing weekend. In fact, the crowds were so "enthusiastic" that they broke through a main door on Saturday night and scores spilled onto the main arena floor before reserve ushers could be rushed in to stop the unauthorized entrance. Those who got in remained, sitting on the floor around the speaker's platform.

Police and auditorium officials estimated that thousands of Germans who came to hear evangelist Graham never got inside the building but were turned away by traffic control officers.

But night after night upwards to 70% of the audience were under 25 years of age and thousands of them responded to Graham's appeal that the "Christian life begins with a decision, and I'm not asking you to come to a playground, but a battle ground (spiritual warfare)."

As soon as the Crusade closed, evangelist Graham drove to Bonn to meet with German President Gustav Heinemann and Chancellor Willy Brandt on Tuesday. From there, he flies to Paris for a continent-wide meeting with church leaders to consider an European Conference in Evangelism.

One of the most surprising developments of this effort has been the interest shown by young people and the lack of attack from the leftist students.

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with this vital problem in high school and college groups throughout America that young people will listen eagerly, hungrily, respectfully to sex guidance based upon God's Word, bolstered by indisputable contemporary writings and experiences. After such discussions this writer has received standing ovations almost without exception. And, time without end, so many of the listeners have said, "Why hasn't our church been this frank and helpful in the biggest single problem most of us face?"

These, Too!

In other areas of pressure our young people need intelligent spiritual guidance of relevance to their daily confrontations. A drug problem of national scope and concern, the spreading use of liquor by teen-agers, dishonesties of every kind (including mounting teen gambling), vulgarities of diverse teen-slantings, subtle chiseling at God-nation-moral decency loyalties are some of the daily issues which youth of the 1970's must face.

There is a race revolution underway, and today's youth will live in a tomorrow's world in which the clichés of preceding years will not solve the problems of this new dimension of society. Beyond the draft card burners and shouting demonstrators in the matter of war and peace there are multitudes of young people who so much long for peace and who are sickened by the ghastly toll of war after war. Young people who are inspiringly willing to work sacrificially to bring and maintain peace if adults of us will produce the formula and point the way.

Does the church have anything to say to our youth on the issues just

mentioned? Does the church do its young people fairly to omit in its applications of Biblical truths those vital daily issues and threats? What other institution has as much truth to offer as does the church? Where shall youth go for the safest guidance if it does not find it in the Church?

At Least A Beginning

Some churches have made a beginning to be relevant in the preaching and teaching approaches; and, in such instances, the response of young people has been inspiring. Could we do even more in both formal approaches and in informal ways: seminars, panels, library resources, retreat program, personal counseling, and, perhaps, even a dusk-to-midnight telephone counseling service for young people who need guidance and strength right then? Most of our young people still have stars in their eyes in the matter of ideals for high-level spiritual living. Let's keep those stars in those eyes through a to-the-limit effort to help them to plot their way to victory in a society polluted by broken idealism!

II

The second desire of our young people is that the church extend its ministry beyond the physical walls of the church in a very personal way—eliminating none of its "within the walls" ministries, but extending the teachings of the church and the compassion of Christ to needs "outside the walls" in the community.

Our young people are genuinely (and surprisingly to some adults who consider them all pampered and spoiled) concerned about human needs in their communities. They have genuine concern for young people who do not know Christ and who are not being enriched by the minis-

try of the church; and they are both willing and eager to try to win these un-won and un-churched youth if given counsel, guidance, and leadership. Their hearts go out to the poverty-stricken, the sick, the aged and housebound, the handicapped and slow-learners, youth who have made mistakes and who need rehabilitation, the sorrowing, and the lonely.

In short, many of our young people have heard "another drummer." They have heard a voice out of the long ago, "I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto me."

I have seen some of your young people with warm hearts, radiant faces, and dedicated hands, encouraged and guided by their churches, ministering to every one of the needs mentioned above. Individually and in groups they have done these things; to individuals and groups they have performed these ministries very wonderfully in the name of Christ and as representatives of their churches. In the hearts of the recipients of their ministries there could but be a new sense of the compassion of Christ and a new feeling that the church cares. And back to their churches these young people have come with a new sense of pride in the church and with a fuller love and loyalty for its mission.

If We Don't Listen

If adults of us take the attitude of the disgruntled adult (mentioned in the first portion of this article), there is sure to be an increasing number of young people who will be disappointed, disenchanted, and, perhaps, em-

bittered. It distresses this writer to report that we have already lost many young people to vital participation in our traditional church programs; and, though I do not "buy" everything they say in explaining their lukewarm to ice-cold feelings toward the church, some young people whom I know and respect have said to me: "There's no new, fresh application to the needs of the world in which we live. We are not asking for 'new truth' but for a more relevant application of the Biblical truths which we have been taught to believe are completely adequate to life's demands." One young person said to me, "I still attend out of respect for the church, but I am not often helped to meet next week's demands."

Two Reasons

There are two very good reasons for listening to what many of our young people are asking the church to do. To capsule the reasons before amplifying them, let me say that we need to listen in order to moderate some of their views, and in order to update some of ours!

First, we need to listen to hear in order that we may explain helpfully what is the mission of the church and what is not. It is not surprising that some young people are "carried away" in their enthusiasm to the degree of expecting the church to major in some things which are not the main business of the church: youth is a time of enthusiasm which need the helpful seasoning and guidance of adults who love young people.

Some unreasonable expectations are these: to expect the church to slant all of its preaching and teaching to certain issues of the day, omitting the imperatively important basic preaching and teaching of Biblical truth essential to total Christian living; to ex-

pect the church to plan everything with only youth in mind, forgetting the tremendous spiritual needs of those younger and older; to "jazz up" all techniques at the sacrifice of the deep and desired dignities of some facets of church life.

These are not reasonable demands, and warm-hearted, patient, respectful communication can make possible our helping these young people to see that they are making requests out of harmony with the life and spirit of the church. This writer has found young people much readier in their understanding than adults might expect—that is, when explanations are given in a spirit of love and respect.

Second, we need to listen to hear what they are saying—not what somebody said they said...not what our fixed minds and, perhaps, prejudices have interpreted their saying; and, in instances in which what they are asking is right, to update our thinking. Although not everything our young people may ask of the church is wise for the church to do, they are calling our attention to some needful revitalizations of the inner life of the church and to some imperatively desirable extensions of the ministry of the church in keeping with the compassionate teachings of Jesus.

Let this writer's intent be understood clearly: he feels with his deepest convictions that the ministries of preaching, teaching, training and the like must be kept strong, Biblically true, and compassionate; for if the outreach desired by many of our young people does not come from a spiritually strong inner-church life, the outreach can so easily become a fetish and, will, perhaps, lose its way into embarrassing incidents. Let the church be strong in heart, intelligent in its ministries, and compassionate

in its outreach!

Forsooth?

It could just be that one of the reasons for some of the young rebellion of today against "the establishment" has grown out of our refusing to listen years ago, or out of our listening with condescension if not derision!

If it be not presumptuous for me to give a personal testimony at this point, let me say that, though I have disagreed with many things young people have suggested in regard to the church, I have found that explanations, illustrations from the history of the church, and a willingness to consider with genuine respect what young people say and their right to say it have brought so much helpful insight and genuine inspiration to me, that my own thinking about the total mission of the church continues to be more resilient and hopeful. And, dietarily, young people and I are still great friends with mutual admiration, though I have already reached the three-score mark and am pressing inexorably toward Medicare!

So...

For the good of our adult souls in understanding the hungers and desires of our young people, and for the benefit of our young people, who much prefer to work with and not against adult church members, let's listen to our young people...to hear, to understand, to guide, to moderate where they need moderation, to update where we need updating, and to share with them the fullness of a church life which both fills the walls of the church and overflows in Christ-like compassion to the community beyond. If you as an adult are still not convinced, I say what I said at the outset of the article: we'd better listen!

(Dr. Swor's address is 902 Whitworth Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39202)

BAPTIST VIEWpoll

Majority Of Baptist Leaders Would Expel Campus Rioters

By Kenneth Hays

NASHVILLE (BP) — According to a survey taken by the Baptist VIEWpoll, 97 per cent of the pastors and 93.1 per cent of the Sunday School teachers of the Southern Baptist Convention's churches would expel college students who break laws while participating in college demonstrations.

Two per cent of the pastors and 3.8 per cent of the teachers would not take such decisive action. The remaining 1.0 per cent of the pastors and 3.1 per cent of the teachers had "no opinion."

A Gallup survey using the same item revealed that last year 82 per cent of the American people would expel campus lawbreakers, while 11 per cent of them would not. The remaining 7 per cent of the American people had "no opinion."

Analysis of the VIEWpoll response reveals that pastors who consider themselves to be "more liberal than conservative" in both politics and religion would take a more lenient attitude toward students than would either those of more conservative or more liberal tendencies.

The same position appeared among the Sunday School teachers based on political orientation. Then the same item was viewed from a religious orientation, those among the group who considered themselves "quite liberal" indicated the more lenient attitude toward campus lawbreakers.

It might appear from these findings that Baptist leaders would be harsh toward campus lawbreakers since they have expressed a harder line than the American people in general toward the issue.

However, an earlier survey of the same panel reveals that the majority of the panel would be fair but firm

with college students in an atmosphere of student unrest. The earlier survey (June 1969) reported that 61.9 per cent of the pastors and 68.2 per cent of the Sunday School teachers favor "a policy in which student demands are heard but the final decision is rendered by school administrators."

The current findings are based upon a 90 per cent response by the VIEWpoll panel members.

Youth Seminars Announced By Americans United

WASHINGTON, D. C. (C-SNS) — Glenn L. Archer, Executive Director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, has announced a series of youth seminars during the spring and summer months. Seminars are being scheduled in cooperation with local churches and high school groups throughout the country. The program to be directed by Edd Doerr and Mallory Binns of the Americans United staff will be concerned with "Contemporary Problems of Religious Freedom."

Americans United will cooperate with local youth groups in arranging conferences with U. S. Senators and Representatives in the Nation's Capital. The itinerary will include a visit to the Americans United building where the seminars will be conducted.

Americans United will be glad to extend this service to additional groups during the months of June, July and August. Interested persons should contact: Edd Doerr, Director of Educational Services, or E. Mallory Binns, Director of Public Relations, 8120 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, Md., 20910.

Billy Graham Team Analyzes Baptist Programs

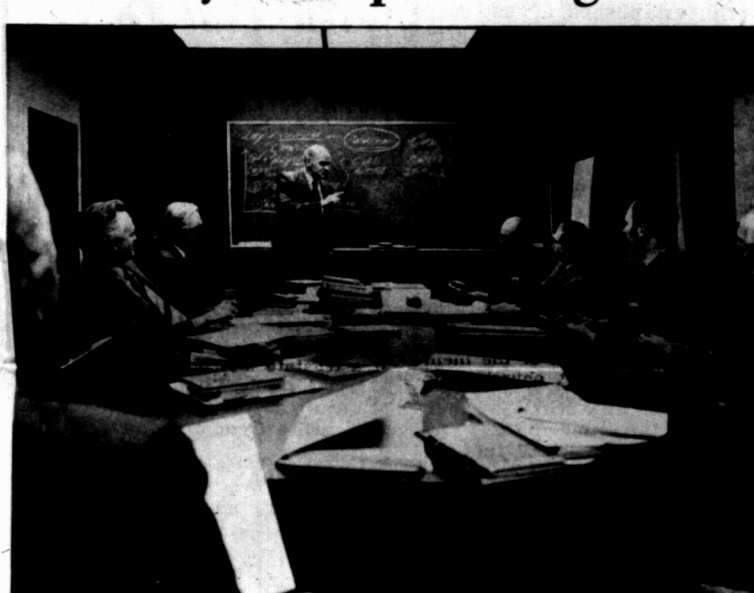
NASHVILLE — Six members of the Billy Graham evangelism team have analyzed Southern Baptist programs and materials for 1970-73 and have indicated approval of the intent and direction of program plans.

Meeting recently with heads of Southern Baptist Sunday School Board educational programs were Grady Wilson, Charles Riggs, Sterling Houston, Abdul Akbar-Haq, John Cort and Henry Halley.

Charles Riggs, director of counseling and follow-up, spoke for the team saying that plans are "all on the right track with Bible-centered materials." He observed that the materials "are well put together and have real depth and clear-cut objectives."

Riggs listed priorities which he feels are beneficial in implementing materials: commitment to Christ, spirit-filled teachers and leaders, practical and simple equipping of people to witness and a people-to-people program for reaching the masses.

The group studied literature selection guides, dated plans for materials for the three-year period and four recently published books—"A Dynamic Church" by W. L. Howse and W. O. Thomason, "Sourcebook 70-71" prepared by the church administration department of the Sunday School Board, "The 70's: Opportunities for Your Church" edited by James Daniel and Elaine Dickson and "The New



PROGRAM EVALUATION -- Charles Riggs, director of counseling and follow-up for the Billy Graham evangelism team, discusses implementation of new Southern Baptist materials with educational program leaders at the Sunday School Board. BSSB Photo

Times" by Albert McClellan.

According to W. L. Howse, director of the board's education division, "We wanted persons successful in the area of evangelistic outreach to evaluate

our approach to programs and materials in the 1970-73 period. We felt that these men were constantly on the firing line and would be able to give us an objective evaluation."

Literacy Missions Workshop Planned

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A Literacy Missions Workshop will be conducted on the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary campus here June 22 through 30. The eight-day conference is expected to draw about 75 persons.

Miss Mildred Blankenship, Literacy Missions specialist with the Southern Baptist Convention Home Mission Board, will conduct the workshop, which is designed to equip individuals to serve as literacy missions resource persons in associations and churches. Miss Blankenship also hopes the program will equip some participants in conducting workshops.

Registration is open to all interested persons. Tuition is \$5.00; housing is \$25.00 for the eight-day, and

POAU Offers Aid To Forces Opposing Parochial Drives

WASHINGTON, D. C. (C-SNS) — Glenn L. Archer, executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, has offered the aid of his organization to all persons and groups opposing the current drive in 38 states for public subsidies to church schools. We have been in continuous operation at Americans United for 23 years and during that time have accumulated certain knowledge and skills in the specialized field of church-state relations. All of our research, our experience in litigation and legislation, all our resources will be available to those actively opposing the well coordinated drive to saddle the taxpayers with the cost of church institutions.

The registration fee should be sent by June 12 to Dr. Allen W. Graves, Administrative Dean at Southern Seminary. Housing fees are due on the day the conference begins.

meals are extra.

"It is high time for all who cherish our American tradition of separation of church and state to come determinedly to its defense. For it is evident that if the current clerical drive succeeds, public subsidy will build the church into an even greater financial and political colossus with oppressive consequences for the people."

"Crucial states in the parochial aid battle at the moment are Arizona, Florida, California, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Vermont."

New Bible Planned In Welsh Language

CARDIFF (EP)—Wales, which has a population of about 3 million, will get a new translation of the Bible in its own native tongue, replacing the existing standard version which is 400 years old.

The translation will be produced by a team of 20 under Rev. Bleddyn Roberts, professor of Hebrew and biblical studies at University College, Bangor. He was a member of the translation panel for the New English Bible, which went on sale worldwide, on March 16.

Sponsoring the project is the Welsh Council of Churches. It is estimated that revision of the New Testament will be ready in four to six years and the Old Testament in about 15 years.

HMB Names 11 New U. S. Missionaries

ATLANTA (BP) — The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board here recently approved the appointment of five new missionary couples and a chaplain to full-time missionary service.

The new missionaries are James and Mary Allison of Lockney, Tex.; Jess and Joyce Canafax of Phoenix, Ariz.; Russell and Bernice Kauffman of Orlando, Fla.; Gene and Priscilla Tunnell of Fort Worth; Terrell and Carolyn Moore of Ohio; and Joseph and Watterson of Raleigh, N. C.

The Board accepted the resignation of one staff member and transferred another to field work.

Dallas M. Lee, news editor and associate editor of Home Missions Magazine, resigned to complete a book. J. Ed Taylor, assistant secretary in the board's department of Christian social ministries will return to field work as a missionary.

Lee resigned to complete a book concerning the life and work of the late Clarence Jordan, founder of the Koinonia Farm, an interracial settlement in Americus, Ga. He earlier had been granted a leave of absence to work on the book, but found that the project will take longer than anticipated.

Carroll Brownlow Hastings of Dallas, was appointed assistant secretary of the department of work related to nonevangelicals in recent action by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

Hastings will major on Catholicism, doing research and writing in the area of Catholic life and thought. He will join the mission board staff in June. After serving as minister of Christian education at Park Cities Baptist Church in Dallas since 1960. He has also been director and teacher of the extension division of Baylor University.

Recreation Week Features Senior Adults' Conference

NASHVILLE — The church recreation conference, June 11-17 at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C., will feature a senior adult conference for the first time.

Conference sessions include Organizing and Planning Weekday Activities; Social Fun, Games and Music; Service Projects, Handicrafts, You and Your Health and Living Full and Creatively in the Senior Years.

Speakers include Bill Sherman, pastor, Woodmont Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. Agnes Pylant, retired recreation consultant who is serving as an approved worker for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's church recreation department; James Williams, associate professor of adult education, Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex.; and R. K. Galloway, retired medical doctor, Nashville, Tenn.

Interested persons should contact Ken McAnear, manager Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C. for reservations.

One reason the church is having difficulty these days, and it is, is that intellectually it has not kept pace with the secular world. — G. Avery Lee in "The Roads to God," Broadman Press.

Mississippi Churches Invited To Use Citronelle Assembly



THE MAIN LODGE AT THE CITRONELLE BAPTIST ASSEMBLY... a large fireplace is the focal point of the large assembly room located in this building. Citronelle, Alabama, is 48 miles south south east of Waynesboro, Mississippi.

Mississippi Baptist Churches are invited to make use of the facilities of the Citronelle Baptist Assembly for youth retreats, camps, and other similar activities.

The Citronelle Baptist Assembly is owned and operated by the Mobile Baptist Association and is located at Citronelle, Alabama, on a 34-acre campus. Facilities are available to handle 130 persons.

In November of 1968 three dormitory units, and a lodge were constructed. Each of the dormitory units contains two cabins which will accommodate 16 campers and two counselors. There is an air-conditioned chapel, and a dining hall that will seat 250 persons, a recreation hall, eight motel type rooms, with private baths, and a large open-air tabernacle.

Recreation facilities include a three-acre, spring-fed lake which affords ex-

cellent swimming; a baseball field, volleyball court, ping pong tables, shuffleboard and many indoor games. Opportunities for nature hikes and camp craft abound.

Several weeks in June and the first week of July are open. Persons interested should contact Mr. Glenn L. Vernon, Director, Citronelle Baptist Assembly, P. O. Box 496, Citronelle, Alabama 36522 or call (Area code 205) 866-7868.



A Woman's World Reaches Far
**Beyond the
Ironing Board**

Wilda Fancher

"Simply Trusting"

"Simply trusting every day"

On Sunday when I'm dressed up at church, and pretty.
On Monday when I'm washing and cleaning, and tousel.
On Tuesday when I'm cooking, and greasy.
On Wednesday when I'm paying bills, and frustrated.
On Thursday when I'm neighborly, and happy.
On Friday when I'm selfish, and grumpy.
On Saturday when I'm home with the kids, and unorganized.
On Sunday when I'm dressed up at church, and pretty.

"Trusting through a stormy way"

I make it fine through the hurricanes, tidal waves, or earthquakes.
It's these pesky storms of my own stirring up that shake my trust.

"Even when my faith is small"

Too small to move a molehill, much less a mountain.
So small, in fact, it makes two mountains out of a molehill.

Too small to take a burden to Christ and come away without it.
Too small to face a God-closed door and reach happily for another doorknob.

Too small to forget sharp tongues and remember that God said
- vengeance is His.
Too small. Too small. Too small.

"Trusting as the moments fly"

It can't be Easter already, I just got to the Christmas tree down.
It can't be three o'clock so soon, the kids just left for school a couple hours ago! I haven't folded the clothes, sewed on the buttons, hemmed the costume, nor thawed the meat.
You know the feeling, don't you?

"Trusting as the days go by"

Bedtime threatens to become a traumatic experience for me.
You see, just before I go to bed I check in three bedrooms to see about three boys who wouldn't believe how soft the heart of this witch of a female drill sergeant who's their C.O. all day can get as she stands at the foots (now, feet wouldn't be any better, would it?) of their beds at night. At least five nights out of seven I feel severe shock as I see those sprawling saints and say, "Horror! Those are our babies! How can their feet touch the foot of the bed?"

"Trusting Him whatever befall"

Rain to muddy the shoes and floors,
Snow to thrill the heart and chill the body,
Sunshine to warm for growth and healing.
Rain, snow, sun, for real.

Fur figurative, rains of disappointment and doubt,
Snows of hope melted into despair.
Sunshine of God's love and His Spirit's presence.

For real and for figurative, unflinching faith in God's power.

"Trusting Jesus, that is all"

That is all what?

That is all bosh? So says Madelyn.
That is all futile? So says Altizar.
That is all silly? So says a professor I know.

That is all that is necessary? So says God's Word:
Trust in the Lord and lean not to thine own understanding.

That is all comforting, guiding, reassuring, and saving?
So says my heart.

I THE BAPTIST FORUM I

**Why Not A
Layman For Next
President Of SBC?**

By George W. Schroeder,
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When Southern Baptists meet in annual sessions in Denver this year, one of their major items of business will be that of electing a new president. Current president, Dr. W. A. Criswell, having served with honor and distinction in the high post of service for two terms, will probably not, according to precedent stand for re-election.

Choosing a successor to Dr. Criswell will be no easy task. There are many numbered among Southern Baptists — both pastors and laymen — who are highly qualified to fill this important and significant post. The task with which the messengers will be faced will be that of isolating the person God has ready for the honored place of service. Prayers of Southern Baptists even now should be that God will lead the Convention in the choice of the person to be elected.

As Southern Baptists look forward to this major item of business on the Convention program, why should they not prayerfully consider the election of one of their fine laymen to serve the coming year as president. Not since Brooks Hays, an esteemed layman, served in the years of 1958 and 1959 have Southern Baptists turned to a non-ordained man to serve in their highest and most honored post of service. That has been more than a de-

cade ago. Since that time six pastors have been elected to serve. Surely after a lapse of more than a decade, the time has come when Southern Baptists should ascertain as to whether or not God does not have one of their outstanding and competent laymen ready to serve as their president.

To elect a layman as president at this time would be saying much to the "grass roots" of Baptists. It will mean much to the total work of the Convention as together — pastors and people — walk boldly into the 70's. Among other things, Southern Baptists will be saying that in keeping with their belief in the doctrine of the priesthood of the believer, they can reach into the membership of their churches to find leaders among their laymen as well as followers.

And, one final word, Southern Baptists need not look far into the ranks of their laymen to find men highly qualified to serve as president of their Convention. They have developed men who are knowledgeable of the work of the Convention, dedicated to its objectives, and deeply loyal to Christ and His cause.

Surely this is the year when Southern Baptists could gain much by electing one of their choice laymen to serve as their president. They should prayerfully consider such a choice when they meet in Denver.

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Youth

This issue of the Baptist Record recognizes youth.

In it you will find a news story concerning the Baptist Student work of the state, with plans for the coming year.

You will find a feature story on three outstanding Baptist young people, whose lives reveal that a young Christian can achieve places of leadership and honor, and still be faithful to the church and to Christian principles.

There is a feature story about a young Mississippi nurse who spent a summer as a missionary.

There is an important article by Dr. Chester Swor which calls upon the churches of today to

listen to what Christian young people are saying.

The issue is a salute to all of the many splendid young people in our churches. In a day when so much publicity is being given to groups who are anti-Christian, anti-church, and anti-establishment, we feel that it is time to point-up the fact that there are many young people who are positively Christian, and who are walking in the right paths.

We pray that the emphasis of this issue will be an encouragement to all of the youth who are such an important part of our churches and communities.

Re-Examine Or Preach: Which?

"Re-examine Bible, Baptist Religion Professors Told." This was a headline in the Baptist Record on March 5, 1970. It headed a news story which told of a message by the president of the Association of Baptist Professors of Religion, delivered to that body during its February meeting in Atlanta. The speaker "called for a new look at the canon, message and authority of the Bible." He is quoted as saying, "the Biblical concept of most Southern Baptists is inadequate."

We did not hear the message, and have only the quotations which were given by Baptist Press. Hence, we do not know all that the speaker said, and do not have these quotations in their context. However, the call for "a new look at the canon, message and authority of the Bible," raises some questions.

What Does Speaker Mean?

What is this speaker, and others who espouse his position, asking Southern Baptists to do? Are we being asked to repudiate the statement concerning the Bible which was contained in the 1925 Statement of Faith, and reaffirmed in slightly altered form in 1962? Are they desirous that some books of the Bible be discarded, in dealing with a new "canon?" (We recently heard of a Baptist professor who said to his class that the book of Genesis did not belong in the Bible. We shall continue to accept Jesus' evaluation of the book of Genesis, rather than that of the professor.) Are they asking us to accept the theory that part of the Bible was put together by an editor with a "pastepot" and a group of documents, some of which they have named "J.E.P.D., etc.?" Do they expect us to "demythologize" the Bible and remove the miraculous as most liberals are doing?

More Human Bible?

Are they asking us to accept the Bible merely as a human document, with which the Holy Spirit had little or nothing to do? Do they want us now to deny to the Bible the authority which most Baptists have given to it throughout their history? Are they asking us to accept the theories of German rationalists and French infidels, rather than the scholarly faith of great men, both of the past and of the present, who do believe that the Bible is the inspired, Spirit given, authoritative revelation of God? Are they asking us to believe that only part of the Bible is inspired, and that we must accept the conclusions of modern scholarship as to which part is?

One of the heroes of at least some of these men seems to have been Crawford H. Toy, a professor who was forced to resign from the faculty of Southern Seminary, because he had accepted the conclusions of German radicalism. A well known Southern Baptist liberal stated recently in a state paper, that the publication of the new Broadman Commentary was a "vindication" of Crawford Toy. Are these men asking Southern Bap-

tists to follow Toy into Unitarianism?

These questions are asked neither in ridicule nor jest. They are sincere efforts to find out where these men want to lead our denomination.

Bible Believing People

For 125 years Southern Baptists have been a Bible believing, Bible proclaiming people. Belief that the Bible is the infallible, inspired, authoritative word of God, has been the very foundation of their work. With that belief they have preached the gospel of Jesus Christ, won souls, built churches, developed the largest mission program of any evangelical denomination in the world, established a vast educational program, and have grown into the largest evangelical denomination in America. Southern Baptists always have been a people of the Bible, and on that foundation have built a mighty denomination, which is nation-wide in its scope, and world-wide in its reach.

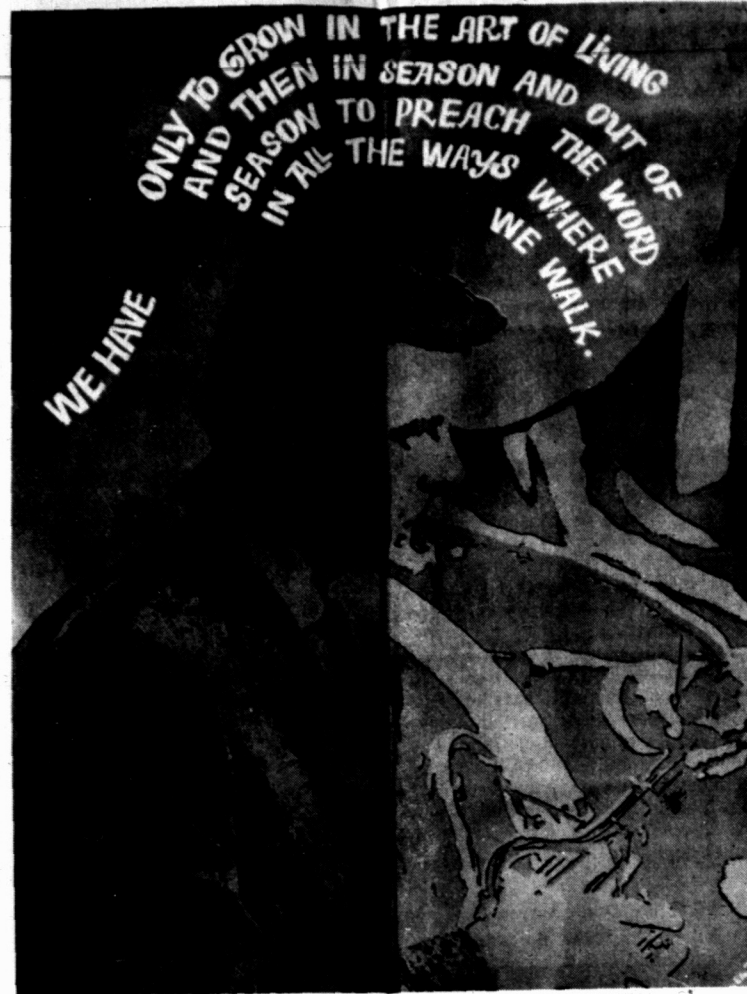
Suggestion Rejected

Southern Baptists always have allowed their scholars to argue on questions about the Bible, while they have gone on believing it and preaching it. We think they will continue to do that now. They will reject suggestions that they take a "new look" at their concept of the Bible for two reasons: First, they know that not all scholars accept the conclusions of the liberals and the radicals. Second, Southern Baptists are well aware of how a weakened or watered-down concept of inspiration, has undermined other denominations, and they do not want that to happen to us. They are well aware that the modernistic, liberal view of inspiration, is a destroyer of churches, evangelism, missions and even of the Christian faith itself. The fruits of liberalism are so clearly evident, that there can be no doubt as to what it would do to our convention. In the light of all this, it is probable that most Southern Baptists would say to these men proposing change, no matter how sincere they may be, that perhaps they themselves are the ones who need to take a "new look" at the Bible.

Continue Proclamation

Why should not Southern Baptists simply continue to proclaim the word of God as they have done throughout their history? The Bible does not need dissecting; it just needs preaching. Wherever it is preached, people are saved, lives are changed, churches are built, the kingdom of God is advanced, and the world is made a better place in which to live.

Believing, preaching and living by the Word of God has been the program of Baptists in the past. That same Bible, as God's revealed word, is just as relevant to this modern day as it has been to all ages past. If Southern Baptists want to meet the present hour's needs, they must continue to preach the Bible. They do not need to re-examine their position.



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The Call Of God To Discipleship

By William Clemmons, BSSE

The Christian is called to discipleship. This is his vocation. There is no other vocation for him. What is normally called vocation (medicine, law, engineering, the pastorate) are actually careers or occupations within which the primary vocation of discipleship is to be expressed. Each follower of Christ must seriously take into account his discipleship as he makes his career choice. The occupation he chooses is where his discipleship will be carried out to the fullest. A person cannot take on the vocation to follow Christ and then divorce career choice from it.

God does not call men to be brick masons, engineers, or doctors. Nor, does he first call men to be missionaries or pastors. But, he does call men to "come follow me" in discipleship. This is the basic, universal call of God in the New Testament.

Some have responded to God's call to wholeness and healing (salvation) and have not allowed the full dimension of discipleship to permeate their life and thought. God's call is not a one-time act that will insure a heavenly reward. His call is to a life-long pilgrimage in which one walks with Christ throughout this life in discipleship and into the world to come. This is a more adequate understanding of the New Testament teaching concerning salvation which is wrapped up in the term discipleship.

As men take discipleship as their vocation in life, all of life including career and occupational choice must be examined in light of it. Is this a career or occupation in which I can carry out my discipleship? Can I please God and serve humanity in it? Is it the occupational will of God for my life? How about the ethical questions that must be asked about one's career or occupation on a daily basis simply because he has taken the vocation of following Christ in discipleship? It is ethical to be involved as a disciple in pricefixing in usurious money-lending practices or in the concept of planned obsolescence in industry where products are purposely designed to wear out in a certain number of years simply to make customers to continue to buy new products?

How does one find a career or occupation where he can carry out his discipleship? How can he determine the will of God for himself occupationally?

First, one can know God's will for his life occupationally by understanding his abilities, interests and personality and then seeking to match these to those occupational roles that best fit what he really is and where he can carry out his discipleship. It will be shaped, also, by needs he sees in society and where he sees God at work in the world, where he feels it is right for him to join God in his redemptive creation.

Most of the needs of society today are not limited by our technological capacity to deal with them. Rather, the limitations we face in resolving some of the world's pressing social problems stem from what Harvey Cox calls the "sin of sloth," or apathy which allows us to ignore social ills when technological know-how means to alleviate them around all around us. For instance, we can eas-

ily allow India to starve while we have all the technical means to feed her hungry millions.

Discipleship is a full-time service and is Christ's demand of all Christians. One cannot escape commitment to Christ and discipleship by saying that it necessitates the coldest life. Lay Christians are not second-class Christians. They need to be as dedicated and committed as the so-called "clergy first - class Christian" who because of their function are thought to be more committed. This kind of dichotomy does not exist in the calling to follow Christ in the New Testament.

In the third place, one can find and better understand his place occupationally by seeing that there are no "secular" or "religious" roles as if all of life were divided into two camps, one of which is more pleasing to God and one less pleasing to Him.

Rather, occupations can also be seen as men gather to worship within the congregation as it is gathered on Sundays and then as it scatters to minister to society throughout the week.

TO RELATE...



LIFE COMMITMENT MONTH-APRIL

APRIL is Life Commitment Month in Southern Baptist churches across the nation, climaxing with Life Commitment Sunday, April 26. "To Relate... Is to Live" is the Life Commitment Theme. "Your Decision" booklets (for young people who have committed their lives to be used for God's glory, in church or denominational work, or in a secular occupation) are free from the Program of Vocational Guidance, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn. 37203.

**The Parable Of The
New Neighbor**

A certain man moved into our community. He didn't fall among thieves, he just moved in. By chance a neighbor came by and saw him. The neighbor said, "I'm running late in my schedule today and besides, the preacher probably knows about him."

In like manner another neighbor came to that place and passing by on the other side said, "I don't believe in being fanatic about religion. I'll wait until he brings up the subject of the church sometimes; then I'll invite him to our church if he has time."

But a certain neighbor as he

journeyed, came where he was and when he saw him, he was moved with compassion and stopped by to welcome him into the community. He showed interest in his spiritual life and invited him to church the next Lord's Day. He even offered to come by for him, which he did. On Sunday morning he turned him over to the Sunday school superintendent and said, "Take care of this man for me and whatever else I can do, I'll do it."

Now which of these do you think was neighbor unto him who moved into our community? Go and do thou likewise.—The Gloster Baptist

NEWEST BOOKS

HANDBOOK OF DENOMINATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES, New Fifth Edition by Frank S. Mead (Abingdon, 265 pp., \$3.95).

This is a new edition of one of the most valuable reference books for any pastor's library or church library. The author presents the history, doctrines, organization, and present status of practically every religious denomination in the United States. The denominations are classified not only individually but also by groups. For example, under the general heading "Baptists" there are 27 subheads. Did you know that there were that many

different types of Baptists in the United States? In the introductory section the author gives a brief historical sketch of Baptists and then discusses their major doctrinal tenets. This is followed by information about every Baptist group. The same treatment is given to every church group in America. Of course, there are many religious groups that are under a single heading. Some of these most of us probably never have heard of. We do not believe there is a better source book available on the religious denominations and their beliefs and work.

Miss Hospitality

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ministers. Her uncle, Rev. Henry Applegate, is pastor of East End Baptist Church, Columbus. Another uncle directs the music in a Baptist church. Her grandmother, Mrs. Cora Applegate, a Baptist pastor's widow, lives in Columbus.

At Mississippi State University, Sharon is associate to the Baptist student director, Jerry Merriman.

At First Baptist Church, Starkville, she teaches a class of 12-year-old girls in Sunday school, and is leader of the ninth graders in Training Union. During Bible Study Week she taught the Intermediates. Her enthusiasm for life and deep, sincere love for God are an example and inspiration to other young people.

One day last fall it was Sharon Applegate Day in Starkville. For the second year straight, the city had won the title of Miss Hospitality. The Chamber of Commerce sponsored a parade in Sharon's honor. The church bus, loaded with young people, came out to meet the homecoming honoree. Friends in the city presented to her a check — and a 1970 LTD Ford. Over at First Baptist Church, the parking sign, "Reserved for Pastor," was surreptitiously switched to "Reserved for Sharon's Father."

An only child, Sharon was born in Memphis. Shortly thereafter her family moved to Paragould, Arkansas. (Her mother is the former Katherine Rogers of Paragould. From Arkansas they went to Seminole, Okla., when her father accepted a pastorate there, and from thence to Starkville when Sharon was in the second grade.

Within a year or two after they had moved to Mississippi, she joined First Baptist Church, Starkville, and her father baptized her. All her life she has been vitally interested in the activities of the church, and has always wanted to take part in as many as she possibly could.

For eight straight summers she attended one or more weeks at Kitti-wake and Gulfshore Assemblies. At 15 she was Honor Camper. When she was 16 she was crowned Queen of Training Union at Gulfshore one week. The next year, because of surgery, she was forced to stay home, and declared, "Well, if I HAVE to miss a year, I'm glad it wasn't last year!"

When a Dedicated Life Club was organized in her church for young teens, she was past the age limit set for the club. Her mother says that Sharon cried because she was too old to be a member!

She is a graduate of Starkville High School and Mississippi State. During college days she was exceedingly active in BSU, while at the same time working first in the registrar's office and later for a chemistry professor. On the Freshman BSU Council and then on the Executive BSU Council, she was devoted chairman and worship chairman. An extrovert who loves to be with people, she was always very much "in the middle" of BSU social activities, planning spring parties, or banquets for the international students, or working on a BSU parade for her sorority, Alpha Delta Pi.

At the BSU Center she has made friends with many students from other countries. Some of them she tutors in the English language. (First, Starkville, sponsors classes in English for international students and their wives.) Sharon has been assisting a student from India with his thesis writing. A professor had marked errors on the rough draft in red ink. The student said to Sharon, "If you will please just help me get these red decorations off."

As Miss Hospitality, she travels extensively in the United States as official goodwill representative. Her main task is "to sell Mississippi."

April 7-12 the slender beauty participated in the 1970 Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, D. C., which came to a climax with the coronation of the festival queen on April 11. She was crowned Mississippi's Cherry Blossom Princess at the reception and buffet given in her honor by the Mississippi Society of Washington.

Also she has traveled to Pennsylvania, Georgia, Montreal and Toronto, to Canada, to a Chicago Travel Show, and to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. She will go in June to Atlantic City and to New York. Always she must travel with a chaperone; often her mother travels with her in that capacity. She judges many beauty pageants, and advertises various products — but no products except state products. Her face in the milk commercial is now familiar to television audiences.

Since more invitations for speaking engagements come to her than she can possibly accept, she tries to choose only those that she feels are most important. For instance, she likes to do things for the Y-Teens.

She has been guest speaker for banquets in churches, and has given her Christian testimony during revivals. For the Training Union Youth Convention just after Christmas, she was a featured speaker, as well as for the Natchez 1970 Crusade this month.

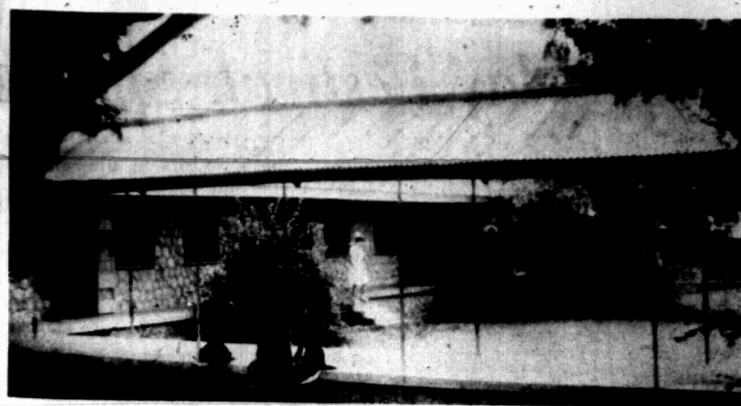
At Valentine, she was delighted to



PIGGYBACK! NOT A BAD IDEA—University of Mississippi nursing senior Kathy Harvill, who spent last summer in Ghana, carries a young friend African-style. The baby, whose mother died in childbirth, would have been allowed to starve, according to native tradition. But the hospital staff persuaded her father to let the little girl stay at the hospital until she's two years old, when she'll be sent to an orphanage downtown.



NO ONE MISSES MARKET DAY—The village's two tribes, the Manprusi and the Yuraba, gather every three days for market day to buy necessities. A poor people, they are representative of those in northern Ghana. The more progressive Africans in the south have a higher standard of living, reports Kathy Harvill. A Province graduate, Miss Harvill is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Joe Harvill, 2923 Glenderry St., Jackson.



GHANA BAPTIST MISSION HOSPITAL—This 80-bed mission hospital serves not only village natives, but those who live out in the jungle as well. Kathy Harvill, senior nursing student at the University of Mississippi School of Nursing, worked with two physicians, a visiting surgeon and the African aides on the permanent staff.



RING AROUND THE HUSBAND—The mud-and-thatch huts in this compact circle belong to the various wives of one man in Nalerigu, an African village in northern Ghana where Kathy Harvill worked as a nurse in a Baptist mission hospital for 10 weeks last summer. The Baptist Student Union sponsored the project.

From The Rumble Of North State Street To The Rumble Of West African Drums

For Kathy Harvill, night sounds are generally the steady rumble of North State Street traffic. Last summer, however, she fell asleep to the rhythmic rumble of west African drums.

Miss Harvill, a University of Mississippi School of Nursing senior, was competitively selected to work in Ghana for 10 weeks. Sponsored by the Baptist Student Union, she and a New Orleans girl were assigned to an 80-

bed Baptist mission hospital in the tiny village of Nalerigu, caring for the Manprusi and Yuraba tribes. "The people of northern Ghana are incredibly poor," says Miss Harvill, "so village life revolves around market day, the only chance they have to buy meat, cloth and other necessities. Our village held market day every three days, no matter what. These Africans live from one to the next, literally: they buy only enough to last until the next market day. Market day has to happen for these people to live."

Both are continuing their graduate studies at present; he is earning a Master's degree in business at the University of Southern Alabama, Mobile, and she is studying toward an M. A. in English at State, and will be qualified to teach speech. Research for her thesis concerns Robert Penn Warren's views on women.

The talented young women is both pianist and organist. Dramatic and comical readings have been her talent presentation in beauty contests. A former member of State's Debate Team, she says it was good training in speech and in fast thinking. Finalist in the 1968 Miss Mississippi contest, and Miss MSU, 1968, she was the state's Miss Wool for 1969; and one in the Top Ten in the Maid of Cotton contest, 1969.

Something of a physical fitness buff, she did a television program on physical fitness, on a Tupelo station. Every day she exercises for at least twenty or thirty minutes. Her mother and she often go jogging together, sometimes as late as 11 p.m. She enjoys reading and "loves" Siamese cats.

She lives with her parents in "the House that Love Built." The red brick house, with its white columns, stands in the midst of tall pines on South Montgomery Extension. In the summer of 1968, the Applegates — known affectionately to many as "Preacher" and Kate — held open house in their beautiful new home.

After tests had confirmed that Dr. Applegate was suffering from multiple sclerosis, and when climbing steps had become painful to him, especially the steps of the parlor, members of the church began to act. With one idea in mind — to build a one-story home that the Applegates could call their own — the church celebrated Applegate Appreciation Day. They urged their pastor to stay with them as long as his health permitted. A young physician and his wife gave a beautiful lot in a choice subdivision. Love gifts and offerings of time and labor paid for at least 60 percent of the home's cost. Inestimable other gifts, including landscaping and shrubbery, made the finished home one of great comfort and beauty. Starkville residents may point it out as "Preacher's home" or "Miss Hospitality's home" or "Kate's home," but the family inside call it "the House that Love Built."

Sharon Applegate, Miss Hospitality, is a product of a fine Christian home, and she herself is a tremendous witness to the greatness of American youth. Her favorite Scripture, Proverbs 3:5-6, has become her philosophy of life: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths."

Since the natives have little money and few possessions, a man's wealth and status are measured by the number of his wives and children. "Each wife in a man's family has her own hut and together they form a small circle," Miss Harvill reports. "The husband sort of drifts from hut to hut."

As in many areas, poverty and superstition combine to produce bad health conditions, according to the Jackson girl. "While they don't have much meat, the villagers do have eggs, an adequate protein substitute," she says. "But they won't feed their children eggs because they believe that children who eat eggs will grow up to be thieves."

A crude tree-stump altar on the outskirts of the village typifies the religion's primitive beliefs. A good luck symbol, the altar is used for chicken sacrifices to insure good weather and crops.

"Superstition keeps the local witchdoctors in business," notes the nursing student. "Sometimes their 'cures' are harmless, but too often they're not. For example, the poisons of certain west African snakes prevent their victims' blood from clotting properly, so many people bleed to death. A witchdoctor will treat a snakebite patient by slashing his head open to let the evil spirits out!"

Through the mission hospital, however, Nalerigu natives are learning the basics of hygiene, nutrition and health care. More and more they're turning to the hospital for their medical needs. Staffed by two full-time physicians, a visiting surgeon and African aides, the health facility serves a 50-mile radius.

Remembering the jungle and forest — to goodness natives, the future nurse admits that Africa is quite a change from Jackson. But in a world where witchdoctors "heal" with magic and missionaries must prime a pump every morning for the day's water supply, Kathy Harvill learned an important lesson. "It doesn't matter where you are," she says, "as long as you care."

At 2802 Jefferson Drive, Hattiesburg, Jane Carol's car stands in the drive, her name and the official state seal on the door. Just a few blocks away are Forrest General Hospital, and the University of Southern Mississippi.

The living room forms one wing of the L-shaped house; windows on the front look toward the street; windows and tall glass doors on the back open toward a patio and lovely green lawn where a bird feeder sometimes attracts redbirds. Tones of beige and olive green and blue make this an inviting room, a restful, peaceful place.

Over the piano hangs a portrait of Jane Carol, wearing her Miss Mississippi crown. This portrait was painted and presented to her by Bob Hill, Mendenhall art teacher.

Beside the piano, on a blue upholstered chair, lies a large white Persian cat. ("It's either Sugar or Deville," Jane explains, — one of the two cats belonging to her 12-year-old sister.) Just at that point, the dark-haired Beverly rushes in from her ballet lesson.

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elled a good deal, especially in Louisiana, Alabama, and Florida. Of course (she smiles) there was the exciting trip to Atlantic City last fall to compete in the Miss America pageant. In February she flew to St. Petersburg, Florida, to appear in a March of Dimes Telethon. Later in that month, on Valentine's Day, she rode a spotted Appaloosa horse down Jackson's Capitol Street in the Dixie National Parade.

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Washington Touchdown Club decided he should receive the Walter Camp Memorial Award as the outstanding college back of 1969.

That's only the beginning of his long list of honors. Of especial interest to Baptists is the fact that when he left for college, he had a 13-year perfect attendance record in Sunday school at the Drew Baptist Church.

What kind of young man is Drew's favorite son? He is a fine, honest, young Christian gentleman, somewhat shy, held in great respect by his teammates, by the young people in his church, and by other people who have known him well.

When he was ten years old, he was baptized by Rev. John Lee Taylor, who is now pastor of First Church, McComb. On the first Sunday that the Taylors moved to Drew, both Archie and his sister joined the church. They were the first ones Dr. Taylor baptized during his six-year pastorate there.

Dr. Taylor says of Archie, "He is a person of humility, a team man who realizes the debt he owes his fellow players, and is quick to give them the credit due. They like and respect him for this trait." In the Drew Church, where he still a member (Rev. Millard Bennett, present pastor) Archie has been very active in Sunday school and Training Union. During high school years he sang in the youth choir. Though he declares that he cannot sing, he and his sister used to sing duets at church. When he is travelling on weekends he often takes advantage of opportunities to visit other churches.

He is a member of Christian Athletes, but because of his very heavy schedule of athletic and scholastic activities, it has not been possible for him to accept speaking engagements. Extracurricular activities at the university include Sigma Mu fraternity, campus senate, and M-Club.

His roommate is Billy Vandevender, from Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson.

At Ole Miss, Archie is majoring in city management. However, if the opportunity presents itself, as it no doubt will, he hopes either to play pro football or baseball.

Archie Manning was born May 19, 1949, to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Manning, II. His only sister, Pamela, is a senior at Delta State College, Cleveland, and has been practicing teaching at Ruleville. His father, who was known as Buddy, died last summer. He was manager of the Drew Supply Company, which holds the dealership for Case tractors. His mother, Jane, whom Archie resembles, works as a secretary in the office of P. J. Townsend, Jr., Drew lawyer.

Archie grew up in a white house across the street from Drew High School. When he was 18 months old, a coach who lived near the family gave him a football helmet. "He could read and spell and write before he went to school," his mother recalls. As a boy he belonged to Cub Scouts.

He never missed a day of school unless he was off with an excused absence. This occurred several times in high school, for he frequently had broken bones playing football. The only full season he played was his senior year, because in previous years he suffered breaks of both legs and his left arm.

"He broke his arm when he was a junior," said his mother. When his daddy was taking him to the doctor, he said, "Son, is it worth it?" And Archie answered, "Yes, dad, this and more."

In his 1967 graduating class he was president, valedictorian, Most Versatile, Most Athletic, and Mr. Drew High. He was captain of the football team, and had made the All Delta Valley Conference team. In basketball he made All District, All Delta Valley Conference, and All County. He also lettered in baseball and track. At Ole Miss, he is shortstop on the baseball team and is considered a major league prospect, even as he obviously is a prospect for professional football.

Archie has always been a hard worker. Summer before last, he laid bricks at the new City Hall in Drew. He'd work all day. Then he'd go home and lift weights. When he finished that he'd go out and throw a football and run around the track.

Also he has the reputation of being a safe driver. Police Chief J. D. Fleming of Drew remembers that when Archie was in high school he used to drive around in an old car painted orange and blue, the school colors. "He was never stopped once," says the chief. "That's really something, you know, for a kid to go through high school and never get stopped."

A written questionnaire poll of Archie's opinions yields the following: Favorite sport? Football. Favorite type of reading? Biographies and autobiographies (he says he also enjoys reading the Baptist Record when he has a chance.) Favorite food? Meat. Like music? Yes, all kinds (but "The Ballad of Archie Who" is not his favorite record!) Ideal girl? "No comment."

To what does he feel he owes his success in athletics? "Proper training as a youth from my parents and other interested persons." His motto is "Take one day at a time." But he definitely does view tomorrow's world with hope.

And certainly the world is a more hopeful place with fine young people like Archie as a part of its population.

Alumnae Meeting, May Festival, Spring Production



Rosemary Sample, May Queen, and Juanite Wong, Maid of Honor.

Three major events at Blue Mountain College will occur on Saturday, May 2. These events include the annual meeting of the National Alumnae Association, the traditional May Festival, and the spring production, "The King and I."

Alumnae of the college will arrive on the campus from many sections of Mississippi, the Mid-South, and the nation to make plans, participate in class reunions and general get-togethers, to witness the recognition of "The Alumna of the Year," to hear the keynote address after the day's luncheon, to witness the coronation of the May Queen, to attend the May Day afternoon reception, and to attend the Saturday evening musical production of "The King and I," which will be presented by the Fine Arts Division of the college.

On the eventful day of Saturday, May 2, there will be an all day Art Exhibition in the halls and studios of the Lawrence T. Lowrey Administration Building.

Alumnae will register for the annual meeting at 9:00 a. m. in the foyer of Garrett Hall of Fine Arts. At 9:45 a. m. in Garrett Auditorium, the alumnae business session will be held, with Mrs. Price Paschal presiding.

During the alumnae program of activities the following features will be witnessed: Recognition of Reunion Classes — 1969, 1965, 1955, 1945, 1935, and 1920 at 11:00 a. m.; Alumnae Luncheon in Ray Dining Hall at 12:00 noon, with the keynote address to be delivered by Mrs. A. O. Spain (the former Frances Brame) of Baton Rouge, La.; class reunions at 1:30 p. m. to be held in places designated on Alumnae Day printed programs; the May Festival and Coronation of the 70th May Queen in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium at 3:15 p. m.; and the evening May Day production of "The King and I," to be presented in Garrett Auditorium at 7:30.

The spring production will be presented by a cast of 52 characters, including 12 small children. The production will be presented on two evenings prior to May Day. The first performance will be presented on Thursday, April 30 and Friday, May 1 at 8 p. m. in Garrett Auditorium, and at 7:30 p. m. on Saturday, May 2 in the same auditorium.

All seats will be reserved by purchase of tickets — \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children and BMC students. Contact J. L. Williams, Director of the Production at Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Mississippi 38610 for reservations.

Carey's May Day Theme: 'The Age Of Aquarius'

The Age of Aquarius is the theme chosen for festivities at William Carey College's annual May Festival for prospective students on Saturday, May 2.

A traditional day of music, fun and frolic, May Day 1970 will be no exception. Lovely Miss Faye Taylor, senior elementary education major, has been chosen as May Queen by her fellow students. Faye is from Hattiesburg and was also selected earlier in the year as one of the 50 campus beauties to appear in the 1970 Crusader annual.



Tate Men Hear BMC Prof

Dr. Louis Scholle, left of Blue Mountain College, was guest speaker for the Tate County Brotherhood meeting Monday night, April 13, at Ebenezer Church. A large group attended the banquet prepared and served by the WMU ladies. Howard Carpenter, program chairman, is pictured at the right. Dr. Scholle spoke on the subject, "What Does God Mean to You?"

Mrs. Martha Black has been named administrative assistant of Mississippi Baptist Hospital, the state's largest private general hospital, Paul J. Pryor, hospital administrator, announced today. Mrs. Black has been in the hospital's administrative office for 15 years, serving as secretary to Pryor and the two assistant administrators, Michael C. Wilkinson and Earl Eddins. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Black have four children. Mitch, 19, is a student at Hinds Junior College. Jan, 16, goes to Wingfield High School, and Susan, 6, is a pupil at Key Elementary School. Doug is two years old.

Ronnie Stuckey of Route 1, Box 219R, Niceville, Florida 32578, is seeking for a position as summer youth director in a church. Both he and his wife are Mississippians. Mr. Stuckey has had previous experience in this field. He is just getting out of the service, and wishes to do this type of work during the summer, as an interim before re-entering college. Rev. William A. Webb, pastor of First Church, Macon, Miss., states that he would be glad to recommend Mr. and Mrs. Stuckey. Anyone wishing more information may write to him or directly to the Stuckeys.

According to Miss Marsha Lumpkin, faculty member in charge of the steering committee for May Day, high school students and junior college sophomores are invited to a full day's program beginning at 9:30 AM with registration.

Opening event of the day will be a baseball game between the Carey College Crusaders, national baseball champions of NAIA for 1969, and Louisiana College.

At noon a dutch lunch will be served in Carey's new Wilkes Dining Hall, with a fashion show as entertainment. Both men and women's "attire for today" will be exhibited.

Faculty conferences will follow the noon hour and all professors will be on hand in the McMillan Student Center to discuss curriculum with any student visitors who might so desire. Academic vice-president Joseph M. Ernest will be in charge of this part of the day's activities.

The highlight of the day comes at 2 PM when THE AGE OF AQUARIUS pageant will be presented in Thomas Fine Arts Auditorium. Unusual sounds and lighting effects will characterize the presentation of the Queen and her Court. Many forms of light entertainment will accompany the performance.

The closing event of May Day, 1970 will be a chicken supper on the front lawn, free of charge to all registered guests. This will begin at 4:30 following a period of openhouse in the dormitories and major buildings on the campus. Entertainment will also be provided during the supper hour.

All prospective students are urged to write or phone the office of admissions for reservations for THE AGE OF AQUARIUS May Festival. Parents are invited to join in the day's activities if they so desire. Parents of current Carey College students are also invited to participate in the festivities. Alumni are urged to return to their Alma Mater and bring high school friends with them.

Southern Seminary To Hold Annual Alumni Luncheon

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary will hold its annual Alumni Luncheon June 3 during the Southern Baptist Convention in Denver, Colo.

The luncheon will begin at 1 p. m. in the New Albany Hotel, four blocks from the convention hall. Dean of the School of Theology William E. Hull will be the featured speaker.

Besides serving as a general fellowship for alumni, the luncheon will serve as the 25th anniversary reunion for the class of 1945 and the 10th anniversary for the class of 1960.

Dr. William W. Stevens of Clinton, president of the Mississippi Southern Seminary Alumni Association, has announced a special discount offer on luncheon tickets ordered in advance by mail. At the seminary booth in Denver, tickets will be \$4.00 each; but orders mailed by May 22 will be filled at \$3.50 per ticket. Checks made payable to Southern Seminary should be mailed to ALUMNI LUNCHEON, Southern Seminary, 2825 Lexington Road, Louisville, Ky. 40206.

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Homecoming At Emmanuel

Sunday, April 26, has been designated as Homecoming Day at Emmanuel Church, 4404 Sagamore St., Jackson. After the 11 a. m. worship service, "dinner on the ground" will be served. A program of special music will be presented at 1:30 p. m. Former members and friends are invited.

Rev. Joe L. Hasson has recently accepted the pastorate of Emmanuel, and will begin his pastorate there on Homecoming Day. An article concerning him will appear in next week's issue of the Record.

Dun's Review estimates that \$7.5 billion is lost annually in American business because of mistakes made by alcoholic executives. "When you have a hidden-problem drinker who signs contracts or makes investments he can lose \$1 million in five minutes," said one doctor.

To Work At Ridgecrest

Beverly Strickland, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Strickland, Rt. 1, Laurel, and a senior at Northeast High School, Jones County, has been appointed to work on the staff at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly this summer. She will be leaving to go to North Carolina on Saturday, June 6.

Beverly dedicated her life to the Lord at an early age, and is very active in her church, Freedom Church where she has been pianist for the past two years. She has won many honors in her music, among them a scholarship to Gulfshore Assembly last summer. She plans to enter Jones County Junior College this fall, and later William Carey College, where she will major in church music and minor in Bible.

Rev. and Mrs. Orvil W. Reid, missionaries to Mexico, began furlough March 28. Because they plan to travel extensively, they will use Foreign Mission Board headquarters as their furlough address: Box 6597, Richmond, Va. 23230. A native of Oklahoma, he was born in Stigler and grew up in Marble City. She is the former Alma Ervin of Nashville, Tenn. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1938.

Rev. Lester L. Griffin, member of Calvary Church, Quitman, is available for supply work, revivals, and also a pastorate. He can be reached by letter at 212 Long Blvd. Quitman, or by telephone at his residence, 776-6249. Or anyone who wishes to do so may contact his pastor, Rev. W. W. Hayes at the church office, 776-7721, or at his residence, 776-2795.

Connie Brodie (Mrs. Al), wife of the assistant to the pastor of Broadmoor Church, Jackson, will sing in the pre-session music period, on Tuesday afternoon, at the Southern Baptist Convention in Denver. Her appearance will be part of a special program arranged for that period by Fritz Smith, evangelistic musician of Tyler, Texas.

Lieutenant Governor Charles L. Sullivan

brought the major address for Carey College Honors Day Apr. 21. The son of a Baptist minister, Sullivan was reared in South Mississippi and holds the law degree from the University of Mississippi. Roy Hood, professor of biology at William Carey College, introduced the speaker. Awards and honors were made to students who have exhibited unusual accomplishments during the 1969-70 school year.

Rev. Larry W. Kennedy, pastor of Mantee Church, has recently received a Master's degree in history from Mississippi State University. Mr. Kennedy holds a B. A. degree in history from Louisiana College and a Master's degree in theology from New Orleans Seminary. The subject of his thesis was, "The History of the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church, Webster County, Mississippi, 1850-1957. This church was one of the first Baptist churches organized in northeast Mississippi. Church organization, church pastors, church discipline, and church life are the topics discussed in the thesis. Some of the men who pastored the church were John and George Jennings, Ambrose Price, Seaborn M. Cole, James Wofford, Thomas Wilson, W. T. Stegall, J. W. Hicks, Elmer Putman, T. H. Middleton and J. P. Mitchell. Anyone wishing to secure a copy of the history may contact Mr. Kennedy at Box 161, Mantee, Mississippi 39751. Presently he is working toward the Ph.D. degree in history at Mississippi State.

Dr. James L. Travis, Professor of Bible at Blue Mountain College, has just returned to the campus from Nashville, Tenn., where he attended a Writer's Conference April 6-9, as a guest of the Sunday School Board, SBC. Dr. Travis has accepted the responsibility of writing the young adult lesson quarterly and teacher's lesson plans for the first quarter of 1971.

Howard Spell, professor of religion at Mississippi College, was re-elected chairman of the Board of Trustees of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., during the board's recent annual meeting. Spell, an alumnus of the seminary, was first elected chairman in 1969, succeeding Louisville attorney Joseph E. Stophel. He has been a member of the trustee board since 1962. He is a former Academic Dean of Mississippi College.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton A. Lites, former Mississippians, missionary appointees to Taiwan, will complete missionary orientation at Callaway Gardens near Pine Mountain, Ga., on April 17. They may then be addressed c/o D. R. Lites, Stop and Shop Bakery, Many, La. 71449. Lites was born near Garland, Ark., and reared in Many. Mrs. Lites is the former Nannette Webb, a native of Arkansas.

Rev. Robert Hale Miles

has recently moved into the Ministerial Apartments at Mississippi College to resume studies toward a degree. Born in Greenwood, he was licensed to preach in 1963 and ordained to the ministry in 1965. He has held pastorates at Long Lake Church, Vicksburg; Jayess Church; and Grace Church, Vicksburg. He has also served as youth director for the Bowmar Avenue Church, Vicksburg, and has preached in revivals in Louisiana, Alabama, and Florida. The son of Mrs. R. L. Miles and the late Mr. Miles, he married the former Patricia Ann Westcott. Mr. Miles will be available for supply preaching, effective April 26, 1970. His address is 400 East Main St., Clinton, Miss.

Springdale Calls Pastor

Rev. Floyd Higginbotham has resigned as pastor of Banner Church, Calhoun Association, to accept the unanimous call of the Springdale Church in Attala Association, between Kosciusko and West. Mr. Higginbotham moved with his family to the new field of work on April 14, after having pastored the Banner Church for the past three years and ten months. Previous pastorates include Center Ridge, Yazoo City; Riverside, Clarksdale; Branch, Morton; and Mount Pisgah, Enid.

Two nurses from Mississippi Baptist Hospital will visit Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in May to view a self-care unit similar to the one which will open at Baptist Hospital in June. Paul J. Pryor, hospital administrator, said that the North Carolina unit will be viewed by Mrs. Shirley Clemons, assistant director of nursing service, and by Mrs. Kathryn Bush, R. N., who will be head nurse for the 100-bed unit. Pryor said the two nurses will learn more about the basic policies, guidelines and staffing of a unit such as this. They will bring us a report on their observations and its applicability to our own unit.

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Brotherhood Retreat - Paul B. Johnson State Park



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The three men pictured above are faithful, loyal leaders in their respective churches.

Mr. O. U. Cook, a member and worker of Calvary Baptist Church, will direct one of the devotional periods during the retreat at Paul B. Johnson State Park, Hattiesburg, Miss. May 1 and 2.

Mr. Charles Dale lives at Ocean Springs and is a member of First Baptist Church. He has been very closely associated with Brotherhood work throughout the state for a number of years and will be conducting another one of the devotional periods.

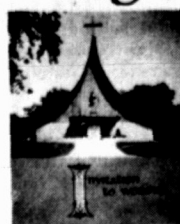
Mr. Ralph Herrin, who has served for a number of years as association Brotherhood director for Covington Association, will be directing one of the devotional periods for the retreat. He is presently serving as a member of the Planning Council for the Mississippi Baptist Men's Conference. Mr. Herrin is a member of the Salem Baptist Church of Collins, Mississippi.

If you plan to spend the night or eat a meal during the retreat, please contact the Brotherhood Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi, in order that food preparation may be made.

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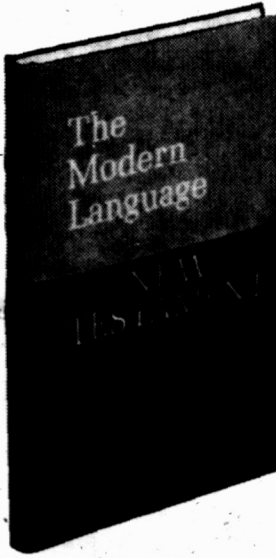
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Carson Ridge (Attala): April 22-26; 7:00 p.m. only; evangelist — Rev. David Poe, pastor, Saltillo (Lee); music director — Rev. Harry Sartain, pastor; pianist — Reba Wheelless; special notice — Homecoming Day April 26.

Robinswood (Rankin): April 24-26; Rev. Shalley Vaughn, evangelist; Olen Brown, song leader; services Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p. m.; regular hours on Sunday; Rev. J. D. Hughes, pastor.

Pelahatchie: April 27 - May 3; Dr. David Grant, pastor of Broadmoor Church, Jackson, evangelist; John Laughlin, minister of music and youth, First Church, Meridian, music evangelist, services at 7 a. m. Tuesday-Friday; 7:30 p. m. Monday-Saturday; 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday, May 3; Rev. Bob Maddux, pastor.

Concord (Tippah): April 25-27; services at 7:30 p. m.; weekend youth revival, with the BSU revival team of Northeast Mississippi Junior College, Booneville, in charge; Dennis Johnson, evangelist; Jimmy Smith, song leader; Kathy Browning, pianist; Patricia McIntyre, soloist; Larry Garner youth and recreation chairman.

Calvary Church, Batesville: April 26 - May 3; services at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Rev. James Smith, pastor of First Church, Decaturville, Tennessee, evangelist; Rev. J. D. Joslin, pastor.

Wayside Church (Warren): April 26 - May 3; Rev. James D. Watson, Indianola, evangelist; J. B. Betts, Indianola, singer; services 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Francis Vriesen, pastor.

A meal for teen-agers should not only be more than adequate, it should appear at first glance to be abundant, piled up, and running over. — Phyllis S. Prokop in "Sunday Dinner Cookbook," Broadman Press.

Church Auditorium Planning Seminar Slated for September

NASHVILLE — An "Auditorium Planning Seminar" will be held September 21-25 at the Church Program Training Center, under the sponsorship of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board's church architecture department.

The seminar will feature discussions and consultations regarding capacity, attendance, church membership, enrollment and future needs as related to a new church auditorium. Philosophy and theology behind the building's design will be discussed, as well as step-by-step planning in the details of the auditorium's furnishings.

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Revival Results



Heuck's Retreat Church, (Lincoln County): March 26-29; a team of youth workers from William Carey led the revival efforts, with Robert Mills as evangelist, Charles Bass as song leader, and Cherry Sandifer as pianist; "sincere feeling of revival experienced among the young people as well as the adults"; youth council of the church helped in the preparation; five on profession of faith; two by letter, one surrendering to full-time Christian work; many rededications; Rev. R. A. Coulter, pastor. Left to right above: Charles Bass, Robert Mills, Cherry Sandifer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON — LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM

Jerusalem And Beyond

By Clifton J. Allen
Acts 8: 10:1 to 11:18

We resume in this lesson the unfolding story in the book of Acts. God was reaching out through the church to make known the saving message in Christ. The gospel was now preached in Samaria and in Caesarea. The Christians, all of whom at first were members of the Jewish community, had been content to remain in Jerusalem. The martyrdom of Stephen sparked a general persecution. This resulted in scattering the believers, all except the apostles, away from Jerusalem. Thus God turned tragedy into progress for the gospel. It spread into Judea and Samaria on its way to the uttermost part of the earth. The outreach of the gospel to the Gentiles — to all peoples — is the major concern and thrust of the book of Acts.

The Lesson Explained The Scattered Church Verses 8:1-4

A review of Acts 7 provides the setting to consider this passage. Earlier, the Sadducees led the persecution of the Christians. Now its source was the Pharisees. Stephen could not be answered, but he could not be silenced. His martyrdom initiated a general persecution. Saul, who had approved Stephen's death, became the recognized leader of the persecution. He was violent and thoroughgoing. Many of the believers fled into the region of Judea and Samaria. Others, both men and women, were dragged into prison. Wherever the scattered Christians went, they preached the word. The church was scattered by the fires of persecution, but in this way the church came alive with a new sense of mission to give witness to the truth in Christ.

Witness To The Samaritans Verse 8:5

The persecution led by Saul may have focused at first, on Greek-speaking Jews. At any rate, Philip, of this group, went to the city of Samaria and proclaimed Christ. The result is reported by Luke in the subsequent verses. Philip had great zeal for the gospel, and he was given power to heal people, which confirmed his message. Many believed the gospel message and were baptized. Peter and John were sent by the church in Jerusalem to investigate the Samaritan revival. They saw the fruits of the gospel, clear evidence of the work of the Holy Spirit in the conversion of Samaritans—who were part Jew and part Gentile — and they prayed for a visitation of the Holy Spirit upon the Samaritan believers.

The Gospel For The Gentiles Verses 11:1-18

These verses are the conclusion of Luke's account of Simon Peter's preaching the gospel to the household of Cornelius in Caesarea. One must read the entire story of Peter's experience, recorded in chapters 10 and 11. Simon Peter, earlier, must have had stirrings of conscience. He was engaged in prayer in Joppa. Here he was given a vision and heard three

times the instruction not to call unclean what God had made clean. This prepared Peter to respond to the evident leading of God to go to Caesarea and to enter into the house of Cornelius, a Gentile — something unlawful and unheard of for a Jew to do. Thus Simon Peter made the great discovery, "God is no respecter of persons." God confirmed this in the conversion of Cornelius and members of his household on the basis of their faith in Jesus Christ. And some special manifestation of the Holy Spirit on these Gentile believers further confirmed God's approval.

When Simon Peter and other brethren returned to Jerusalem, they were called on by members of the church there to give an account. They were about to be "churched" or disciplined for doing the unheard of thing of eating with Gentiles. How blind some of the Christians were to the faith they professed and how ignorant of the God they worshiped and the Saviour they trusted! Peter explained the situation fully. He could not take issue with the Holy Spirit, whose visitation confirmed that Gentiles as well as Jews were objects of God's grace. The objects in Jerusalem were silenced. They were only half convinced. Even so, they glorified God that he had granted to the Gentiles "repentance unto life." The gospel had bridged another barrier: it was on its way "unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Truths to Live By
Persecution can turn out for the furtherance of the gospel. — God often works to accomplish his purpose in ways which may seem strange to us. He made the martyrdom of Stephen turn out for the progress of the gospel. Many years later, Paul — who became the foremost ambassador of Christ — wrote to the Philippians to say that his hard experience as a prisoner for Christ had contributed to the advance of the gospel. Persecution has stirred other Christians to greater loyalty, greater zeal, greater courage, and greater influence on the enemies of the gospel.

The Holy Spirit guides the witness. — The direction may be to tell the good news about Christ to a near neighbor, to a business associate, to an alcoholic or a liquor store dealer, to a person in jail, to a fellow student, or to a delinquent youth or adult. Or the Spirit's direction may call for a bold witness about a public issue, about a policy or practice in a club, about a principle of competition in business, about a Christian concept of race relations, about the truth of a Christian doctrine, or about moral standards in sex relations. The witness of Christians is to relate to all of these matters, to all areas of experience. The Holy Spirit is the ever-present helper to enable the Christian to be bold when he needs to speak, to be silent when he should not speak, and to have the honesty and humility which ought to characterize the representative of Christ.

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Luke 19:1-10

By Bill Duncan

Jericho, a very wealthy and important town, lay near the Jordan River and commanded an important position on the way to Jerusalem and across the river. The land was fertile so that her gardens of roses were well known. There was even a forest of palm trees and famous balsam groves. "Men have called her 'the city of Palms.'" Josephus referred to her as "the fattest in Palestine." This was a trade area that was famous. These things made her one of the greatest taxation centers, in that area. Along with the prosperity also went dishonesty and immoral activities.

Zacchaeus was a very successful man in his profession. He is described by Luke as being the chief tax collector in the area. His name is Jewish, so most likely he was from the area and had turned upon his own people to work for the foreign government. As a result, he probably was the most hated man in the area. Zacchaeus was wealthy, but was not satisfied. His profession had made him an outcast. Most likely the lonely man was seeking always for acceptance and love. Jesus had welcomed tax-collectors before so maybe he would have a kind word for him.

Curiosity caused Zacchaeus to seek even a look at Jesus. "He sought to see Jesus who he was." This motive caused him not to be overruled. The scripture says he climbed a tree to see Jesus. He took great pains to make sure he made the right move.

Jesus looked up, and in the knowledge of who the man was, said, "Zacchaeus, make haste, and come down." Our Lord invited Himself to the subject's home and hospitalities. Somehow the Lord knew how the privilege would be appreciated.

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"Today... abide," probably implied overnight. The response of Zacchaeus was joyful. "The internal revolution was as perfect as instantaneous. When did the change come into his heart and life? I believe it was when he came down with haste from the tree and received him joyfully. The evidence of repentance was made known at the entrance to Zacchaeus home.

Lord, Behold, Lord is the title used throughout the book of Luke where lordly authority, dignity or power is intended. "If I have" means in Greek, so far as I have. "Taken by false accusation," means by defraud and overcharge. Zacchaeus said he would give half of his goods first to the poor and then he would repay fourfold anyone he had defrauded or overcharged. The Roman law required fourfold payment. In the Jewish law, since Zacchaeus had voluntarily offered to repay, only the original amount was required, plus one fifth. Zacchaeus was determined to do more than the law required. He wanted the community to know that belief had brought forth a new behaviour.

Salvation to a house is an exceedingly precious idea, expressing the new air that would henceforth breathe in it, and the new employer from its head which would reach its members. He was a son of Abraham by birth, but now he has become a partaker of his faith, being mentioned as the sufficient explanation of salvation having come to him. The salvation that comes to the head of the house.

hold is helpful in making the home a place that can help others become Christians too.

The story ends with a statement of the purposes of the ministry of Jesus. "The Son of Man came to seek and to save that which is lost." The story is encouragement that there is hope for the unexpected conversion. There is also hope for the unchurched.

In the New Testament the lost are those who are condemned because they have not believed on Jesus Christ as Lord. "Lost" also means in the wrong place. A man is lost when he has wandered away from God. These are the primary targets of God's son. Zacchaeus is an example of the ones who are lost. When this one discovered that Jesus was his friend, Zacchaeus made a decision.

The disciple of the Lord must make the wrong right. Barclay tells the story of Dr. Boreham. There was a meeting in progress at which several women were giving their testimony. One woman kept grimly silent. She was asked to testify and she refused. She was asked why, and she answered, "Four of these women who have just given their testimony owe me money, and I and my family are half-starved because we cannot buy food." A testimony is better not spoken when it cannot be backed up



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Chemist	10,248	12,751	24
Professional Social Worker	7,479	11,184	49
Public Junior College Teacher	6,735	8,863	32
Clergy of 14 Denominations	6,863	8,042	17

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Devotional

A Responsible Love

John 21:15-17

By Robert E. Self, Edon Church, Stringer



One of the greatest needs of our time is for men who will live out the law of love as a result of a right relationship to God. This law of love is the love that exists between man and Christ and that motivates man to love others. The idea is seen clearly in our text. Peter had already denied Christ three times and the crucifixion and resurrection had already taken place when Jesus had this memorable conversation with Peter. Early one morning, Jesus appeared to certain of His disciples who were fishing. After some moments of apprehension, they came together on the beach and enjoyed breakfast together. Then, Jesus singled out Peter and questioned him concerning his love for his Master and then charged him with responsibilities because of that love.

The QUALITY of that love is not immediately recognizable in most English texts, but the Greek carefully notes the distinction. The first two times that Jesus spoke to Peter, He used a form of the word "agape." This word became the characteristic word for Christianity. It is used primarily to describe the love that God has for man and the love that He expects His children to live out in their relationship to others. The word with which Peter responded on each occasion and which Jesus used in His third question, is a form of the word "phileo." This word generally indicates tender affection or a brotherly relationship between two people. Thus, the love that Jesus called Peter to and which He calls us to today is the very highest kind of love that the world has known. It is unselfish love that marks the person as ready to give himself for the welfare of others.

The QUANTITY of this love is indicated when we recognize that Jesus did not call Peter to give assent to some mere intellectual gymnastic. Rather, He indicated that the kind of love that he had been called to must show itself in service, both to God and to one's fellow man. Today, this love must be a love for the church, the body of Christ. We who are His must express this love for His body because it has been purchased at very great price and because it is composed of our fellow heirs with Christ. If we love His church then we must be involved in its welfare. This means that stewardship of time, talents and possessions no longer are elements of manifestations of ego, but now are imperatives of service growing out of love.

This love compels us to love others who are not a part of the body of Christ and sends us forth to witness to them because of that love. But our responsibilities do not end there. We must be faithful to live a life of righteousness and faithfulness before God and man. Only then will the world believe that the love that we have is truly a love for God.

1970 - Population's Fastest Year Yet

WASHINGTON, D. C. (EP) - During 1970 the world will gain 72.6 million people - more than during any other year in history, and more than the current combined population of the Middle Eastern countries of Iraq, Syria, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, South Yemen, Yemen and the United Arab Republic.

The Population Reference Bureau here noted that this increase will represent the difference between an estimated 123.4 million births and 50.8 million deaths.

The human family is presently gaining an average of 1.4 million members a week, 199,014 a day, 8,292 an hour and 138 a minute. In the period from July 1, 1965 to July 1, 1970 the world population will have grown by 343 million people - a record five-year total, the Bureau stated. - 4-11-70



Mrs. R. L. Ray

Chairman Of Lord's Supper Committee For 45 Years

Mrs. R. L. Ray, 94 years young, is not only the oldest member of First Baptist Church, Pontotoc, but she has been one of the church's most active members through the years. Her pastor, Dr. W. Levon Moore, recently called attention to the fact that among her many places of leadership she has served as Chairman of the Lord's Supper Committee for forty-five years. Since 1925 she has been in charge of the Lord's Supper Service, and was present for a pre-Easter observance of the Lord's Supper on March 25. This is an unusual record of service, and possibly the longest of its kind in Mississippi, and probably in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Green River Church Licenses Father, Son To Gospel Ministry

On Sunday morning, April 12, the Green River Church in Riverside Association licensed a father and son to the gospel ministry.

They were F. M. Castillo, deacon in the church and plantation manager, and Gerald Castillo, a junior at Mississippi College. Both have recently preached for the church and God blessed their ministry with decisions.

Rev. J. C. Simon, who is serving as interim pastor, was recently licensed to preach by the Blue Lake Church in Quitman Association.

Baptist Hospital Seeks Graduates of Nursing School

Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Jackson, is in the process of closing its diploma school of nursing. The last class of students will graduate in June, 1971.

The administration is planning to publish a historical edition of the school annual, "The Chart," and would like to include a list of all alumnae and their current addresses in the last publication. If you are an alumna or know an alumna of this program which has graduated over 1300 nurses, please contact the Director, Gilfoxy School of Nursing, 1121 North State Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39201.



Medical Kit For Vietnam From 1st, Inverness

Moved by the needs of the Vietnamese people as presented by Rev. Lewis Myers, right above, Southern Baptist missionary to that country, the membership of First Church, Inverness, has provided a medical kit valued at \$400.00 to be used in first aid. All items suggested by Mr. Myers were supplied to help relieve the suffering of the people whom they serve. Dr. John Cobb, at left, is the pastor at Inverness.

Goss Plans Old-Time Religion Day April 26

The Goss Church will hold annual "OLD TIME RELIGION DAY" April 26. The guest speaker for the day will be Dr. Grayson Miller, pastor of Broadway Church, Memphis, Tennessee.

Sunday School will begin at 9:45. Recognition of visitors, former members, pastors and ministers of music will begin at 1:30, regular worship services at 11:00.

Everyone is invited to attend the services of the day and remain for dinner which will be served on the church grounds immediately after the morning services. There will be a short service after lunch which should be over by 2:30.

Friends, family, and neighbors, are all welcome. If you have the "OLD TIMERS" clothes, wear them; if not, please come in your regular Sunday "Go To Meeting" clothes.

Emmanuel, Alexandria To Hold Noteburning And Homecoming Day

Emmanuel Church, Alexandria, La. Rev. Schyler M. Batson, pastor, will observe Homecoming and Noteburning Day on Sunday, May 17. Former members of the church are invited. All former living pastors will be guests of the church including Dr. Herschel Hobbs, who will preach at the morning service.

Off The Record

Parody

Sheryl, age four, was playing around the kitchen while her mother was busy working. When she was "acting up" her mother said, "Don't be such a silly goose!"

Later in the day while playing with her little friend, Sheryl was overheard to say, "Don't be a fooling chicken!"

At Least He Can Count

An 11-year-old girl described her principal by saying: "A principal is understanding in your time of need. A principal keeps the school rolling. He doesn't trust the intercom, because he is always shouting, 'Testing, one, two, three.'"



Student Center Planned At Hospital

ALL FIVE SCHOOLS at Mississippi Baptist Hospital are working together on plans for a student center at the hospital sponsored by the Baptist Student Union. Miss Kathryn Bearden, director of the B. S. U., shows representatives of the five schools where the center will be located. Standing, from left, are Earl Eddins, assistant administrator of the hospital; Mrs. Jack-son, school of radiological technology; and Mrs. Mary Holyfield, Gilfoxy School of Nursing. Seated, from left, are Bob Wall, school of inhalation therapy; Mrs. Johnnie Weber, director of the school of practical nursing; Miss Bearden; Miss Carolyn Slater, school of medical technology.



Clarke BSU Elects Officers

New officers of the Baptist Student Union of Clarke College (pictured) are as follows: front row, from left: Lavelle Mizell, Lucedale, YWA president; Hal Bates, Jackson, president; Debbie Parrott, Jerseyville, Ill., missions chairman; back row: Jim Gunter, Kosciusko, vice president; Elaine Martin, Hattiesburg, devotional chairman; Rev. J. B. Costilow, B. S. U. director; Harrel Wilcox, Black Oak, Arkansas, music chairman; Jolyn Gommillion, Union, social chairman.

Flight Cancellations Ground Summer Missions Orientation

Flight cancellations and airport snarls, effects of a "sick-out" begun by federal air traffic controllers March 25, caused the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board to rearrange its student summer missionary orientation program.

It became impossible to get 69 college students from campuses in 17 states to board headquarters in Richmond, Va., April 3-4, and make definite reservations for them to fly home again, said Miss Sarah Spain, staff assistant in the department for missionary personnel.

The air traffic controllers' walkout was in its 10th day on the weekend for which orientation was scheduled.

Dates for orientation of summer missionaries now coincide with five regional Baptist Student Union (BSU) leadership training conferences. Board officials will meet with different groups of student summer missionaries during the annual BSU spring retreats.

Two student summer missionaries from Oregon and Washington attended an orientation program in Washington, April 11-12; 18 students from Ark., Ill., Ky., and Mo., met in Mo., April 17-18; 25 from Ala., Fla., Ga., La., and Miss., in Miss., April 18-19; eight from Md., S.C., Tenn., and Va., will meet in Va., April 24-25; and 16 from N.M., Okla., and Tex., in Tex., April 25-26.

The college students chosen and sponsored by Mississippi BSUs are: Linda Louise Ballard, P.O. Box 702, Newton, Clarke College - Jamaica; Virginia Louise Butler, P.O. Box 518, Clinton, Mississippi College - Israel; Marion Edward Causey, II, P.O. Box

587, Clinton, Mississippi College - Germany; Billy Carson Garrett, Box 559, Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi College - Philippines; Dennis Lee Johnsey, P.O. Box 823, Corinth, Northeast Mississippi Junior College - Jamaica; Marion C. King, Box 576, Clinton, Mississippi College - Taiwan; Brenda Marie Spencer, 2580 North State Street, Jackson, University of Mississippi School of Nursing - Ghana; Lydia Kaye Wallace, Box 192, Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, - Guam.

Bus Trouble In Boyle

By H. S. Rogers, Pastor First, Boyle

"They just don't make 'em like they used to!" A remark usually reserved for articles manufactured in our day. It seems that these are just not as good as our fore fathers made! Many parents and adults would tell you that the young people of today are not what they once were either. Then along comes a group to upset our preconceived notions about them. The congregation at First Baptist Church, Boyle will vouch for it.

For several months the church has operated a little bus to pick up children and young people for the church activities and worship services. Then the day came when crops failed in the delta and money became scarce. Something had to be eliminated! It

was necessary to announce sadly that the bus service would be discontinued.

The final trip home from mid-week prayer services was a sad one. Tears filled many a childish eye. One young man made the remark "Preacher; it's gonna take a long prayer and a lot of money to get us going again, huh?" Some one prayed! Electrifying news! The group of children, coming from South of town, had turned prayer and desire into action. All week they searched for coke bottles. Some they found. Some they begged. They will be returned to the companies this week for refunds! The bus will roll again for at least a week or two. Who knows? God blesses the young and the poor in a special way!

Tinsley Church To Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Tinsley Church will celebrate the silver anniversary of the constitution of the church on July 19, 1970. Former members and friends are invited to attend the 25th anniversary celebration.

The church has been trying to locate all former pastors. One they have failed to locate thus far is Rev. W. E. Jacobs. Anyone having information concerning him may write Mrs. W. T. Young, Box 54, Tinsley, Miss. 39173.

Harperville Church Centennial May 24

On the fourth Sunday in May, May 24, the Harperville Church will observe its Centennial with morning and afternoon services.

A brief history of the church will be read, and two former pastors will preach. Rev. C. J. Olander, retired, of Tchula, will preach at the morning service, and Rev. Sollic Smith, pastor of Superior Avenue Church, Bogalusa, La., will preach in the afternoon service.

Special music is being planned for both morning and afternoon. Lunch will be served at the church.

"We trust that all former members, pastors, and friends will be able to worship with us that day, states Rev. Elton Barlow, pastor.

Chance Writes Book

Jay Chance, director of the Royal Ambassador department of the Brotherhood Commission and husband of Gay Monroe, formerly of Lucedale, Mississippi is author of a new book titled, *Royal Ambassadors in Missions*. The book sets forth the basic fundamentals of the Royal Ambassador program and reflects the refinements that will appear in the organization beginning October 1, 1970.

Royal Ambassadors is the mission education organization for boys within the Southern Baptist Church.

Called To Rocky Creek

Rocky Creek Church of Lucedale has called Bobby Martin as full-time music and educational director.

Mr. Martin was born and reared in Washington County, Alabama. He married Agnes Hardy from Bay Minette, Ala. They have one son.

He is former music director at Spanish Fort, Millirey, and comes to Mississippi from the West Chickasaw Church in Mobile.

This is the first time in the history of the Rocky Creek Church that they have employed a full-time music and education director.

Rocky Creek, one of the largest rural Baptist churches in Mississippi, is engaged in erecting a new sanctuary in the very near future. The budget has grown from \$1 thousand to 60 thousands in two and one-half years. The membership has grown to above 725.

Rev. John Merck is pastor.



MC To Host State Science Fair

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE WILL HOST two of the top science meetings in the state Thursday, Friday and Saturday, April 23-25 as the Mississippi Academy of Sciences and the State Science Fair move in for their annual meetings. The Hederman Science Building will be the scene of activity, with a number of displays set up throughout the building. Looking over one advertising the college's biological sciences are Louis Temple (left) chairman of the Department of Biological Sciences and chairman of the local arrangements committee for MAS, and Dr. W. O. Sadler, professor of biology at Mississippi College and one of the veteran members of the Mississippi Academy. - M. C. Photo by Joe Lee

Opera Singer Promotes Asia Campaign

An operatic soprano who toured Asian cities to announce the 1970 Asia Baptist evangelistic campaign reached record audiences with her presentation of sacred arias and Negro spirituals.

Miss Annette Meriweather, an Indiana native who lives in Rome, Italy, sang and gave her Christian testimony during February and March in Dacca, East Pakistan; Penang and Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia; Bangkok, Thailand; Hong Kong; Macao; and several cities in Indonesia and Taiwan.

Audiences saw her perform on stage and on closed circuit television. The concert was also video taped for later release.

Her program of music, which began with classical works such as the prayer from Puccini's "Tosca" and closed with Negro spirituals, was also broadcast to radio audiences.

A newspaper review in the Straits Gazette, Penang, Malaysia, said Miss Meriweather's free public concert there attracted a record crowd of 1400 for the auditorium, and selections like "My Soul's Been Anchored in De Lord" and "Standing in the Need of Prayer" received long and loud applause.

In Bandung, Indonesia, and Bangkok, Thailand, over 1,000 people attended each concert. The vice-president of Taiwan sent out 700 letters of invitation to the concert held in Taipei.

More than 6,700 attended the four concerts in Taiwan, and every concert was rebroadcast on radio, said Harlan E. Spurgeon, Southern Baptist missionary. Television coverage in Taiwan was unusually good, he added.

Miss Meriweather's arrival was reported on a TV news program, and her entire first concert in Taipei, the capital, was video taped for later network release.